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09/21/2011 10:46 AM

To Elissa Speizman

cc Jeffrey Kimble, Brian Kelly, Nuria Muniz

bcc

Subject Re: Wolverine Worldwide Tannery - Rockford, MI

Thanks, Elissa! I also just heard about this meeting from Mike Gifford in Brownfields. Prior to this, I've only been aware of the site in my removal job, where the Nuria Muniz from Site Assessment asked us to look at the petition for potential removal actions. I don't see Wolverine on the list of sites assigned to CICs, so I could assign someone and have them work with the web staff since it sounds like the site could be gaining attention.

Elissa Speizman

[Bev, I saw this article in today's clips:...](#)

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From: Elissa Speizman/R5/USEPA/US
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Cc: Anne Rowan/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 09/21/2011 10:17 AM
Subject: Wolverine Worldwide Tannery - Rockford, MI

Bev,

I saw this article in today's clips:

<http://www.rockfordindependent.com/main.asp?SectionID=11&SubSectionID=11&ArticleID=4083>

I went to the EPA website and couldn't find a page relating to this SF site. The company is hosting a public meeting this week. Do you think we need to create any web content?

Elissa

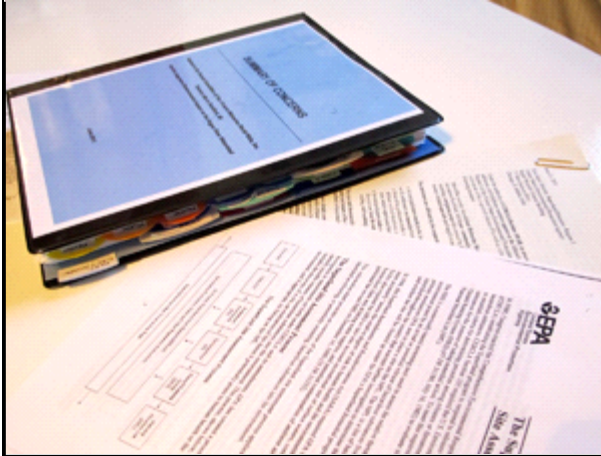
Tuesday, September 20, 2011

EPA launches probe at former Wolverine tannery site

By Danielle Arndt

Tuesday, September 20, 2011





A group of 25 local residents submitted this binder of observations and concerns as part of a citizens' petition to the Environmental Protection Agency Superfund Division. The EPA has determined the former Wolverine World Wide tannery site warrants further investigation, thus the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality is conducting a preliminary assessment on its behalf.



A crane with Pitsch Companies takes a bite out of the old tannery last fall during the site demolition.

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What: Public meeting

When: 7 to 8 p.m. Wednesday

Where: Wolverine World Wide corporate headquarters at 9341 Courtland Drive

Why: To update the community on how the demolition of the former tannery complex went and to discuss the status of future development plans for the riverfront site.

What is CERCLA and Superfund?

CERCLA, which established the Superfund program, was enacted into federal law in 1980. According to the EPA's website, it set forth various criteria for ranking contaminated or hazardous waste sites relative to their threats to the environment and human health. CERCLA also created the National Priorities List.

Superfund is the division that evaluates the need for remedial action at a site, as well as develops a plan for this action. Some sites may be cleaned up by state or federal authorities other than the EPA.

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is conducting a preliminary assessment of the former Wolverine World Wide (WWW) tannery site as the result of a petition submitted by 25 local residents.

The petition was submitted to the Superfund Division of the EPA on June 21 by a group of residents known as the Concerned Citizens for Responsible Redevelopment (CCRR).

"As a group, our primary reason for submitting this petition was we were not getting answers to our questions from the city or the DEQ that were based on scientific evidence," said city resident and CCRR spokesman Grant Medich. "We got a lot of professional opinions, or what we would call personal opinions, with no testing or hard data to back it up."

In a letter obtained by The Rockford Independent dated Aug. 3, EPA officials stated the agency has determined the WWW site "is eligible for further assessment under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA)." The assessment will determine what action, if any, should be taken to perform environmental cleanup at the site.

Wolverine will host a meeting that is open to the public Wednesday to update the community on how the demolition of the former tannery complex went and to discuss the status of future development plans for the riverfront site.

Preliminary assessment

The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) will conduct the preliminary assessment of the Wolverine property per its Superfund site assessment cooperative agreement with the EPA.

The preliminary assessment, which officials described as a limited-scope screening investigation, is under way. Representatives from both the Lansing and Grand Rapids DEQ offices visited Rockford on Aug. 30 to

review the site and meet with several petitioners.

"Right now we are gathering all of the information we need to write our report," said Joe Walczak, environmental quality specialist with the DEQ Remediation Division in Lansing. "We want to make sure we've looked under all the rocks, so to speak."

Walczak said officials will use a large binder of information and observations they received from local community members, any files and data on Wolverine from within the DEQ and data gathered by Wolverine itself to evaluate the site.

He said the process likely will take two to three months before the assessment can be submitted to the EPA for review and acceptance.

After the EPA receives the report, it has 30 days to sign off on the assessment and recommend either no further remedial action or that the site be advanced to the next step, which is inspection.

Possible site inspection

At the site inspection level, Walczak explained actual environmental testing would be done to document contaminants and identify source areas and the potential impacts of contamination. After the testing, the site would be put through the Superfund hazard ranking system, at which time the EPA would decide whether or not the site warranted being placed on the National Priorities List.

"It may be such that it is not of the magnitude to be placed on the National Priorities List," Walczak said. "Just because something goes through the Superfund process doesn't necessarily mean it goes on the National Priorities List. There are other cleanup authorities ... and other avenues for the site to still be tracked and monitored."

Citizen-driven efforts rare

Walczak said there are a number of ways a site may be discovered and brought to the attention of the Superfund, including via citizens, state agencies and EPA regional offices.

"It doesn't happen very often," he said of a citizens' petition acting as the catalyst for discovery through Superfund. "Typically, discovery happens through the state ... In the past 10 years, there have probably been four or five (citizens' petitions), but it certainly is not (the case) for a majority of sites."

CCRR members have been photographing water runoff and interviewing former Rockford tannery workers to document their concerns, among other things, since last August. The group conducted its own water sample test near the site and believes chemicals, such as chromium compounds often used in the treatment of leather, are migrating into Rum Creek and the Rogue River and could pose a risk to public health and the city's drinking water.

"This might be worth nothing or it might be worth a lot," Medich said. "But that's why we wanted a third party to come out and do an inspection. What we want to hear is that it was a clean demolition. This is Rockford, we all live here. We don't want (the property) to become a Superfund site. But we also think the potential for contamination should be taken seriously."

WWW also investigating

Throughout the demolition and site restoration process, Wolverine and the city have been adamant there are no known contaminants at the former tannery. However, David O'Donnell, district supervisor for the DEQ Remediation Division in Grand Rapids, said that is no longer the case.

"I don't believe that is accurate anymore," he said. "I believe the folks working for Wolverine found some stuff, and Wolverine is going to do some additional stuff as a result."

But he added it is his understanding Wolverine intends to discuss this matter at Wednesday's meeting.

O'Donnell said a consultant for Wolverine contacted the DEQ in May.

"They represented it to us that during the demolition, they saw a couple of things that required some further investigation and they came in to talk with us about that and to get our opinion on what types of testing to do," he said.

O'Donnell said, as far as he is aware, all of the recent testing at the site has been groundwater testing via test wells. He added Wolverine also did some testing with respect to the wastewater treatment plant prior to demolishing the factory in early 2010. He confirmed that the DEQ gave Wolverine a copy of the residents' petition and that Wolverine is aware of the EPA preliminary assessment.

"Wolverine is conducting (its investigation) voluntarily," O'Donnell said. "They do not have to consult with the DEQ to conduct an (environmental) assessment of their own property ... Our role is to perform oversight and to ensure that any investigation that is done complies with the state law. It is a voluntary cleanup program (Wolverine) is participating in and they can go ahead and do the investigation, they don't need us. Wolverine has taken the extra step of actually including the DEQ."

Company to shed some light

Wolverine's attorney Kenneth Grady said the company officially wrapped up work at the former tannery property on Sept. 1.

"It has been about two years since we started," he said. "So we thought because we've reached sort of a milestone, we would update the community on the redevelopment efforts."

He said officials with Wolverine and the DEQ will be at the meeting to answer questions from the public. He said they plan to focus discussion on the "facts about the site" from when the tannery was shut down in 2009 until the present.

"(It will include) the process of decommissioning the site and the many, many steps that are involved in that process," Grady said. "(The process) also is one that requires many permits to do what we did at that site and we will share how we met or exceeded all of the regulatory steps in that process ... to ensure those buildings did not pose any risks when they came down."

Grady confirmed that Wolverine has conducted groundwater testing on the property. He said while the details will be presented on Wednesday, the "good news" that came from the testing is virtually all of the substances Wolverine tested for came in either below detectable levels or below acceptable standards.

"There were a few (wells) where we did detect levels but nothing, in our view, that affects us moving forward with redevelopment," he said.

Rockford City Manager Michael Young said he was not aware of the EPA assessment nor of the citizen group's petition.

"This group has not shared anything with the city about its end goal - although it has filed more FOIA requests than I've seen in all my previous years as city manager," Young said. "If Wolverine is willing to voluntarily do testing and to share the results of that testing with the public - and how that will play into anything the EPA might do, I don't know - but I don't think we can ask for much more from them."

"I look forward to the meeting Wednesday (with Wolverine). I think we will get some good information and a good update."

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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

01/30/2012 08:09 AM

To David Brauner

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Subject Fw: Letter of Support for EPA Region 5 Wolverine World Wide, Inc. Rockford, MI Site Assessment

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Sent: 01/26/2012 06:47 PM EST
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Cc: <bowmana@gvmc.org>; <administrator@kentconservation.org>; <rhoood@wmeac.org>; <connie.redding@mi.nacdnet.net>; <lmarie003@gmail.com>; Nuria Muniz
Subject: Letter of Support for EPA Region 5 Wolverine World Wide, Inc. Rockford, MI Site Assessment
...PDF Version Attached

January 25, 2012

Mr. Richard C. Karl, Director of Superfund Division
U.S. EPA Region 5
Ralph Metcalfe Federal Building
77 W. Jackson Blvd
Chicago, Ill 60604

Dear Mr. Karl:

On behalf of the West Michigan Environmental Action Council (WMEAC), I am writing to thank you for accepting the June 21, 2011 Preliminary Assessment Petition regarding Wolverine World Wide, Inc.'s Rockford Tannery submitted by the Concerned Citizens for Responsible Re-development (CCRR) Group and to express WMEAC's satisfaction that a robust site assessment is being performed with the increasing cooperation of WWW.

WMEAC is a non-profit, 501C3 organization working to protect and enhance West Michigan's natural and human environments by translating the concerns of people into positive action. WMEAC has been delivering environmental education and advocacy to the West Michigan community for over 40 years

WMEAC would like to commend WWW for responding to concerns about the impacted site, and for its cooperation with the EPA site assessment. Specifically, WWW's decision to test the site with split samples. Its decision to share historical data is also a positive development.

The basis of WMEAC's support for EPA and Wolverine action at the tanner site is as follows:

1. Recreation and Public Health: Wolverine World Wide, Inc.'s (WWW) former Rockford tannery site is located in downtown Rockford, MI, on the banks of the Rogue River and Rum Creek. The area is a busy recreation site with the White Pine Bike Trail borders the west site of the site alongside the Rogue River. In addition many people access the Rogue north of the Rockford dam for water recreation, adjacent to the former tannery site. There is constant interaction between people and the river and trail. People have been biking or walking on the trail, canoeing, kayaking or fishing in the Rogue River throughout the demolition process, being exposed to the demolition dust and storm water runoff from the site. Moreover, the potential exists for the off-site migration of contamination at the site via surface water runoff and ground water discharge to the Rogue River. Since WWW has chosen to cap the site with sandy soils, there is the potential for continued exposure through ground water venting to the many recreational users of the Rogue River.
2. Comprehensive Scientific Testing Methodology: WMEAC is heartened that EPA and WWW are now moving forward with more robust and scientifically sound **split-sample** site tests. Previous testing performed by multiple parties at the site was limited in scope and application, and was of questionable scientific methodology. WMEAC has concerns about identified 'hot spots', including stream banks, and a filled "pit" that may have been leaching or interacting with groundwater.
3. Citizen reports indicate that the now accomplished site demolition had woefully inadequate

environmental controls reflecting the view expressed by WWW attorneys of 'no known contamination on site.' For example, stained concrete (blue, green, yellow and red stains) from buildings integral to the tannery processes do not appear to have been tested during demolition or removal. All of the exterior demolition material appears to have been taken to a recycle or dumping site. Are contaminated materials being recycled? Have they been disposed of in appropriate landfill sites?

4. Third Party Sampling - Westshore Consulting was engaged by CCRR to perform limited sampling around the WWW tannery site; these reports indicate exceedances. Specifically, the Westshore report stated the following: 1) Arsenic in the pump house and bike path-cove samples exceeded the Drinking Protection, Groundwater-Surface Water Interface Protection, and Direct Contact Criteria; 2) Total Chromium exceedances were reported in all samples: with the Drinking Water Protection, Groundwater-Surface Water Interface Protection, and Particulate Soil Inhalation Criteria variously exceeded; and 3) Selenium exceeded its Groundwater-Surface Water Interface Protection Criteria in the Pump House and Bike Path-Cove samples.
5. Qualitative Reports from Former WWW Employees - Records have been shared with WMEAC indicating interviews of previous employees cite many spills and improper practices including those related to clean up that exposed both site and ground water to the tannery processing chemicals.
6. Trends from Tannery Demolitions in the US - A significant number of tannery sites across the U.S. and in other countries are contaminated, and public health risks related to tannery processing chemicals is potentially high.
7. Historical Data on the WWW Site - In a 1994 Environmental Site Assessment several problems were listed such as improper storage practices, stained soil, elevated levels of lead with one sample showing a concentration of 1400 ppm.

WMEAC values WWW as a critical and respected business in our community, employing hundreds of people with living wages. WWW has been an important corporate donor to many local water quality initiatives and is a long-time friend of the Rogue River Watershed and the northern Kent County community as a whole. Finally, WWW works to deliver products heavily branded as environmentally responsible and targeted at outdoor enthusiasts. WMEAC and our partners are hopeful to work carefully and respectfully through a cooperative process to responsibly redevelop the tannery site and continue to protect and restore the Rogue River Watershed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Rachel Hood". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Rachel Hood, Executive Director
West Michigan Environmental Action Council

cc:

Joe Walczak, State of Michigan, DEQ
Nuria Muniz, EPA
Janice Thompson, Concerned Citizen
Andy Bowman, Grand Valley Metro Council
Connie Redding, Kent County Conservation District
Lynn McIntosh, Concerned Citizens for Responsible Redevelopment



WMEAC CCRR EPA letter of support.doc.pdf

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Tom Williams/R5/USEPA/US

01/31/2012 05:00 PM

To "Robinson, Michael"

cc Nuria Muniz

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Subject Wolverine Worldwide, Rockford, MI

Dear Michael,

Thank you for your message earlier today to Nuria Muniz, to which I am replying. First, let me introduce myself; I am the EPA attorney now assigned to this matter. Accordingly, I request that you address to my attention your future communications with this agency. My contact information appears below.

In light of ongoing citizen interest in the Wolverine Worldwide tannery site, EPA representatives conferred yesterday with the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality and concluded it was appropriate for EPA to hold a public meeting in Rockford to present site-related information gathered to date and outline any further steps going forward. Of course, if you have specific items for an agenda, we would appreciate your input, and your participation is welcome. A date has not been sent, although we are considering some date during the third week of April. We would schedule the meeting sufficiently far in advance so that we can analyze existing data and, if appropriate, conduct additional sampling.

In any event, our interest in participating in a public meeting should not be taken as a sign that EPA is dissatisfied with your client's site investigation activities to date, or movement away from what I understand has thus far been a cooperative effort. Environmental organizations in the area have addressed issues to our attention, and a public meeting would be the correct forum for addressing them. Again, my contact information appears below if you wish to discuss.

Sincerely,

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Tom Williams/R5/USEPA/US

02/02/2012 04:12 PM

To "Robinson, Michael"

cc Nuria Muniz

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Subject RE: Wolverine Worldwide, Rockford, MI

Thanks; I'll pass this on for internal discussion .

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"Robinson, Michael"

Tom, if it works for EPA, we would...

02/02/2012 02:18:46 PM

From: "Robinson, Michael" <MRobinson@wnj.com>
To: Tom Williams/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Cc: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 02/02/2012 02:18 PM
Subject: RE: Wolverine Worldwide, Rockford, MI

Tom, if it works for EPA, we would suggest that the public meeting that you are considering be held on April 23, 24, or 25. Wolverine would be willing to make available it's auditorium for EPA's use for that meeting. It would be EPA's meeting, not Wolverine's meeting. The setting would just be our rather nice auditorium with sufficient capacity (I think it was mentioned that you want seating for up to 200 persons) and very good audio/visual equipment. Please let me know on the dates and if you would like to use our auditorium. There would not be any charge for use of our auditorium.
Mike

-----Original Message-----

From: Williams.Tom@epamail.epa.gov [mailto:Williams.Tom@epamail.epa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, January 31, 2012 6:01 PM
To: Robinson, Michael
Cc: Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov
Subject: Wolverine Worldwide, Rockford, MI

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02/06/2012 01:07 PM

To "WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov", Tom Williams

cc "Mark Westra"

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Subject Data and report

Mark Westra at Rose & Westra will be sending out his report on our Round 2 investigation. Mark will email the report without some of the voluminous lab reports (the data tables will be included with the email) and he will overnight the full documents (with all the lab documents) to Joe Walczak and PC. Tom, if you want any of those, please let me know and I will get them for you. Tom, I will leave it to you and PC to distribute it to whomever you want at EPA. Mark will be sending a full hard copy to the DEQ District office too and email versions to several persons in the DEQ District Office. He will also be sending a copy to the City.

Please let me know if you have any questions about the report and data.

Mike

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"Robinson, Michael"
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02/06/2012 01:44 PM

To Tom Williams

cc "WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov", "Mark Westra"

bcc

Subject RE: Data and report

The reason for the suggested date change was that the Wolverine folks are very busy during the week that EPA was thinking about for the meeting, but they have time on the dates that I suggested. Wolverine would like to attend the public meeting and that may not be possible with the earlier dates for some of the Wolverine persons.

-----Original Message-----

From: Tom Williams [mailto:Williams.Tom@epamail.epa.gov]

Sent: Monday, February 06, 2012 2:42 PM

To: Robinson, Michael

Cc: WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov; 'Mark Westra'

Subject: Re: Data and report

Thank you Mike. Could you please cc me on what you send to Joe and PC?

Also, Region 5's staff have already made arrangements with one of the schools for use of their space for a public meeting, but we thank you in any event for WWW's offer. Was there any particular reason for pushing the proposed date back slightly?

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02/27/2012 01:25 PM

To Tom Williams

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Subject Wolverine World Wide

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2)What is the agenda for the April 24 public meeting? My understanding is that Joe Walczak will make a presentation of the PA at that meeting. Is EPA expecting Wolverine to make a presentation? If Wolverine would like to make a presentation, may we do so?

If you would rather not do a call, please let me know the answers to these questions.

Thanks, Mike

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02/27/2012 02:14 PM

To Tom Williams
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Subject RE: Wolverine World Wide

That's fine. How about the morning of March 8? I can do a call anytime that morning.
Mike

-----Original Message-----

From: Tom Williams [mailto:Williams.Tom@epamail.epa.gov]
Sent: Monday, February 27, 2012 2:42 PM
To: Robinson, Michael
Subject: Re: Wolverine World Wide

Hello Mike,

I'd be glad to participate in a call but due to my schedule it may have to wait until next week - is that agreeable? thanks,

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To Tom Williams

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Subject RE: Wolverine World Wide

ok, thanks Tom

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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

02/29/2012 01:06 PM

To PARTAP LALL

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Nuria Muñiz
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"Robinson, Michael"
<MRobinson@wnj.com>

03/01/2012 06:06 AM

To Tom Williams

cc PARTAP LALL

bcc

Subject RE: Wolverine World Wide

Can you share with us the sample locations and parameters to be analyzed? We may want to take splits, but I am not sure about that. Thanks, Mike

From: Tom Williams [mailto:Williams.Tom@epamail.epa.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, February 29, 2012 6:37 PM

To: Robinson, Michael

Cc: PARTAP LALL

Subject: RE: Wolverine World Wide

Yes, we expect to make our data publicly available consistent with agency policy . Tom

To: Tom Williams/R5/USEPA/US@EPA

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"Robinson, Michael"
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03/07/2012 01:28 PM

To Tom Williams
cc
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Subject Wolverine World Wide

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03/07/2012 02:55 PM

To Tom Williams

cc

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Subject RE: Wolverine World Wide

Do you know when that would be? And do you know any details about his sampling? Shall I have our consultant contact Mr. Lall directly? Please advise. Thanks, Mike

-----Original Message-----

From: Tom Williams [mailto:Williams.Tom@epamail.epa.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, March 07, 2012 3:50 PM

To: Robinson, Michael

Subject: Re: Wolverine World Wide

Hello Michael - regrettably, I had to spend some time out of the office and am getting back up to speed. It may make more sense to discuss when Mr. Lall returns from the sampling exercise.

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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

04/03/2012 03:33 PM

To Dave Novak, PARTAP LALL, Tom Williams, WALCZAKJ

cc

bcc

Subject Information Update - There are multiple changes: WWW
Meeting Logistics

Room 706

866-299-3188

Line A 312-353-8730

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"Robinson, Michael"
<MRobinson@wnj.com>

04/05/2012 10:16 AM

To Tom Williams

cc

bcc

Subject Wolverine World Wide

Hi Tom, just checking regarding my previous email regarding the schedule for submission of our 104(e) response.

Mike

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"Robinson, Michael"
<MRobinson@wnj.com>

04/06/2012 06:52 AM

To Tom Williams

cc

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Subject RE: Wolverine World Wide

ok, we will try to get that question 7 information within that time period. If we are unable to do so, we will explain why it was not readily available. Thanks, Mike

From: Tom Williams [mailto:Williams.Tom@epamail.epa.gov]

Sent: Thursday, April 05, 2012 6:52 PM

To: Robinson, Michael

Subject: Re: Wolverine World Wide

Thanks Mike. What you recited is acceptable to us, except to the extent the most recent information about drum storage areas under question 7 is readily available; if so, we request that it be provided within the 21-day period.

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04/09/2012 07:56 AM

To Tom Williams

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"Robinson, Michael"
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04/09/2012 08:00 AM

To Tom Williams

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Subject Wolverine

One other question Tom: does EPA have the analytical results from the most recent sampling performed by EPA/DEQ?

Mike

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"Robinson, Michael"
<MRobinson@wnj.com>

04/10/2012 06:54 AM

To Tom Williams

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Subject RE: April 24

Great, I will call you at 10am Central on Wednesday. Thanks, Mike

From: Tom Williams [mailto:Williams.Tom@epamail.epa.gov]

Sent: Monday, April 09, 2012 6:31 PM

To: Robinson, Michael

Subject: Re: April 24

Mike, I expect to have time this Wednesday morning after 9:30 my time, if that works for you.

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04/18/2012 10:02 AM

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04/18/2012 10:24 AM

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From: Tom Williams [mailto:Williams.Tom@epamail.epa.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, April 18, 2012 11:26 AM

To: Robinson, Michael

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Thank you. Ms. Denise Boone, also of Region 5, may be present as well.

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04/18/2012 12:20 PM

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From: Tom Williams [mailto:Williams.Tom@epamail.epa.gov]

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She is Nuria Muniz's section chief.

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To: Tom Williams/R5/USEPA/US@EPA

Date: 04/18/2012 10:28 AM

Subject: RE: Wolverine World Wide

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From: Tom Williams [mailto:Williams.Tom@epamail.epa.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, April 18, 2012 11:26 AM

To: Robinson, Michael

Subject: RE: Wolverine World Wide

Thank you. Ms. Denise Boone, also of Region 5, may be present as well.

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From: "Robinson, Michael" <MRobinson@wnj.com>
To: Tom Williams/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 04/18/2012 10:24 AM
Subject: RE: Wolverine World Wide

yes. I assume that you will be with Nuria or PC so you don't need directions. Just meet me in the lot north of the Wolverine retail store (which is north of the fenced site at 1pm on the 24th. You don't need any special clothing or gear since the site is no longer a construction site. See you then. Mike

From: Tom Williams [<mailto:Williams.Tom@epamail.epa.gov>]
Sent: Wednesday, April 18, 2012 11:16 AM
To: Robinson, Michael
Subject: Re: Wolverine World Wide

Thank you; we would like to do a site tour. Would 1 pm local time be convenient?

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▼ "Robinson, Michael" ---04/18/2012 10:02:25 AM---Tom, have you decided on a site tour on the 24th? If you would like to do the site tour, what time

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To: Tom Williams/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 04/18/2012 10:02 AM
Subject: Wolverine World Wide

Tom, have you decided on a site tour on the 24th? If you would like to do the site tour, what time would you like to do it? Please let me know so that we can schedule things. Thanks, Mike

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"Robinson, Michael"
<MRobinson@wnj.com>

04/19/2012 08:06 AM

To Tom Williams

cc

bcc

Subject 24th

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Mike

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"Walczak, Joe (DEQ)"
<WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov>
04/19/2012 01:16 PM

To Tom Williams, Nuria Muniz, PARTAP LALL
cc
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Subject FW: Wolverine World Wide

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From: Robinson, Michael [mailto:MRobinson@wnj.com]
Sent: Monday, April 16, 2012 8:35 AM
To: Walczak, Joe (DEQ)
Subject: RE: Wolverine World Wide

Glad to hear you are back in the office! My wife had the same super virus. It knocked her down for about 5 days, but she had varying degrees of the symptoms for a month. But it goes away. I talked with Tom Williams, EPA's lawyer, about the April 24 public meeting. Tom indicated that he thought that Nuria and PC would make a 15 minute presentation about the site and that you would do the same. We talked about whether or not Wolverine would be making any comments or presentation at that meeting. I indicated that we would need to have the data from your most recent sampling and the PA by today or tomorrow before we could consider making any comments. Also, we need to know what PC is going to say about removals. Do you have the PA? Do you know what PC is going to say about removals? Tom Williams did not know what PC is going to say and he did not have the PA. What can you tell me?
Mike

From: Walczak, Joe (DEQ) [mailto:WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov]
Sent: Monday, April 16, 2012 8:18 AM
To: Robinson, Michael
Subject: RE: Wolverine World Wide

Mike,

Sorry I was not able to get back with you last week. I was out sick all last week with some kind of super virus. I'm still not over it completely but at least the 4 days of fever are over. I am still waiting to get the results back from our lab. I have a call in to see what the hold up is but I have not heard back yet. I will keep everyone posted once the data comes in.

Joseph Walczak

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From: Robinson, Michael [<mailto:MRobinson@wnj.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, April 10, 2012 8:33 AM
To: Walczak, Joe (DEQ)
Subject: Wolverine World Wide

Joe, I will be talking with Tom Williams, the EPA Region V attorney, tomorrow about the site. I wanted to speak with you before then to get an update on the sampling results, the PA and the status of the consideration of a removal action. I also wanted to see if you know what EPA has for an agenda for the public meeting. I will be talking with Tom about all of this too, but I wanted your input. Please let me know when you might have 10 minutes (or less) today for a phone call.

Thanks, Mike

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Tom Williams/R5/USEPA/US

04/19/2012 01:55 PM

To PARTAP LALL, Nuria Muniz, Dave Novak

cc

bcc

Subject Fw: 24th

----- Forwarded by Tom Williams/R5/USEPA/US on 04/19/2012 01:55 PM -----

From: Tom Williams/R5/USEPA/US
To: "Robinson, Michael" <MRobinson@wnj.com>
Date: 04/19/2012 01:55 PM
Subject: Re: 24th

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Mike

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"Walczak, Joe (DEQ)"
<WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov>
04/19/2012 02:03 PM

To "Robinson, Michael"
cc Tom Williams, PARTAP LALL
bcc
Subject Additional sediment data

Mike,

Sorry I did not get this to you yesterday when it came in but I was up in Traverse City all day. Attached are the data files, sample descriptions, and a sample location map for the additional sediment sampling that was conducted on March 6th. If you have any questions, please let me know. Thanks.

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"Robinson, Michael"
<MRobinson@wnj.com>

04/19/2012 02:09 PM

To Tom Williams

cc

bcc

Subject RE: 24th

It is possible that we will make a comment, but we have no specific plans now to do so. I just wanted to make sure that EPA knows that we don't have a presentation planned so that it does not result in an awkward moment for everybody at the meeting. See you Tuesday.

From: Tom Williams [mailto:Williams.Tom@epamail.epa.gov]

Sent: Thursday, April 19, 2012 2:55 PM

To: Robinson, Michael

Subject: Re: 24th

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Mike

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Dave Novak /R5/USEPA/US

04/25/2012 01:24 PM

To Nuria Muniz, Beverly Kush, Joseph Dufficy, "Joe Walczak",
DENISE BOONE, Tom Williams, PARTAP LALL, Anne
Rowan, Francisco Arcaute, Joshua Singer

cc

bcc

Subject More on Wolverine Worldwide

News

3 new results for **Wolverine, Rockford, Michigan, U.S. EPA**

[EPA: 'Concerning' contamination found at site of old **Wolverine** ...](#)

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The **EPA** detailed its preliminary findings of chemical contamination at the city's old **Wolverine** World Wide tannery site. **ROCKFORD, MI** — Federal scientists ...

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The meeting will be held from 7-9 pm at the **Rockford** Freshman Center cafeteria, at 4500 Kroes St. "We're encouraging the public to attend. **EPA** and state ...

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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

05/02/2012 01:04 PM

To PARTAP LALL, WALCZAKJ, Dave Novak, Tom Williams

cc DENISE BOONE, David Brauner

bcc

Subject WWW - CCRR request...

PC, Joe, Dave, Tom:

Got a message from Lynn today 5/2/12

CCRR, Clean Water Action, Kent Conservation and WEMAC (West Michigan Environmental Action Council). They are asking for us to have another Conference Call. May 15 or May 17. They specifically would like PC on the call.

They have questions and would like clarification ... they want to understand different approaches between us.

Their perception of the meeting is that Removal Program is more likely to take oversight at WWW (rather than Site Assessment). They are concerned about giving the site to the DEQ district without EPA oversight.

Can we discuss our response to this request on a call tomorrow?

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Tom Williams/R5/USEPA/US

05/08/2012 02:28 PM

To "Walczak, Joe (DEQ)"

cc Nuria Muniz, PARTAP LALL

bcc

Subject Re: Conference call with our district office

Those times work for me, although I've expressed my availability Friday regarding another matter and am waiting to hear back... Thanks,

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"Walczak, Joe (DEQ)"

Good afternoon all, Dave Kline (...)

05/08/2012 01:46:40 PM

From: "Walczak, Joe (DEQ)" <WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov>
To: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, Tom Williams/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 05/08/2012 01:46 PM
Subject: Conference call with our district office

Good afternoon all,

Dave Kline (our Section Chief) and I just had some discussions with staff in our district office regarding the WWW site. They had quite a few questions that are really better answered by you so we are thinking that we would like to set up a conference call for some time this week to discuss their questions. Would you guys be available either this Thursday any time between 1:30 – 4:00 pm or Friday any time between 9:00 – 11:00 am or 3:00 – 5:00 pm (Eastern time)? Thanks much.

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"Walczak, Joe (DEQ)"
<WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov>
05/10/2012 01:08 PM

To Tom Williams
cc David Brauner, DENISE BOONE, Nuria Muniz, PARTAP LALL
bcc
Subject RE: WWW Conference call with our district office

Call in number: 877-402-9757
Access code: 7227821

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From: Tom Williams [mailto:Williams.Tom@epamail.epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, May 10, 2012 2:06 PM
To: Walczak, Joe (DEQ)
Cc: David Brauner; DENISE BOONE; Nuria Muniz; PARTAP LALL
Subject: RE: WWW Conference call with our district office

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Tom Williams/R5/USEPA/US

05/10/2012 01:11 PM

To "Walczak, Joe (DEQ)"

cc

bcc

Subject RE: WWW Conference call with our district office

Thanks, Tom

"Walczak, Joe (DEQ)"

Call in number: 877-402-9757 A...

05/10/2012 01:08:43 PM

From: "Walczak, Joe (DEQ)" <WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov>
To: Tom Williams/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Cc: David Brauner/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, DENISE BOONE/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
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05/18/2012 10:39 AM

To Tom Williams
cc ""Walczak, Joe (DEQ)""
bcc
Subject 104(e)

Tom, I just wanted to let you know that we are mailing Part II (and final part) of our 104(e) response to EPA today. Thanks for your consideration on the submission dates.

Please let me know if you have any question after you review our submission .

Mike

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Tom Williams/R5/USEPA/US

05/21/2012 08:16 AM

To "Robinson, Michael"

cc ""Walczak, Joe (DEQ)""

bcc

Subject Re: 104(e)

Thank you,

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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

06/27/2012 10:00 AM

To "Robinson, Michael"

cc WALCZAKJ, tom williams, PARTAP LALL, DENISE BOONE,
Dave Novak

bcc

Subject WWW Preliminary Assessment

Mike:

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06/27/2012 10:19 AM

To Nuria Muniz
cc "WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov", Tom Williams, PARTAP LALL,
DENISE BOONE, Dave Novak
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Subject RE: WWW Preliminary Assessment

Thanks for sending this Nuria. Mike

From: Nuria Muniz [mailto:Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, June 27, 2012 11:00 AM
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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

06/27/2012 01:17 PM

To myyoung

cc WALCZAKJ, PARTAP LALL, DENISE BOONE, tom williams

bcc

Subject WWW Preliminary Assessment

Mr: Young:

Attached is a digital copy of the PA report for the Wolverine former tannery site .
A hard copy will be sent to you.



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WWWPAcoverletterto Michael Young.pdf

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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

06/27/2012 04:22 PM

To "Robinson, Michael"

cc DENISE BOONE, tom williams

bcc

Subject RE: WWW Preliminary Assessment

Hi Mike:

Kent County Conservation District had a separate request for investigation .
On Nov 22, 2011 a citizen requested further investigation .

We count the date of the first request (June 21, 2011) to respond within a year.

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"Robinson, Michael"

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06/27/2012 03:47:14 PM

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To: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA,
Date: 06/27/2012 03:47 PM
Subject: RE: WWW Preliminary Assessment

Nuria, there was a reference to three petitions. I was only aware of one petition. Would you please identify for me who the other two petitioners were? Thanks, Mike

From: Nuria Muniz [mailto:Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, June 27, 2012 11:00 AM
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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

06/27/2012 04:57 PM

To PARTAP LALL, tom williams, WALCZAKJ, Dave Novak

cc DENISE BOONE

bcc

Subject Sen Jansen PA cover letter



JansenPACoverletter.pdf

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"Taffs, Linda"
<LTaffs@wnj.com>

11/06/2012 12:13 PM

To Tom Williams

cc

bcc

Subject Information Requested

Mr. Williams, the City of Rockford would like to send some information to the EPA. I can provide contact information for you and Nuria Muniz, but I need her supervisor's information, as well. I left a voice mail on this, but thought this may be easier to just reply. I'd appreciate it if you could help me with this. It is all in regard to a meeting with Wolverine World Wide.

Linda M.

Taffs | Legal

Secretary to

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Tom Williams/R5/USEPA/US

11/06/2012 01:10 PM

To "Taffs, Linda"

cc DENISE BOONE, Nuria Muniz

bcc

Subject Re: Information Requested

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"Taffs, Linda"

Mr. Williams, the City of Rockford woul...

11/06/2012 12:15:23 PM

From: "Taffs, Linda" <LTaffs@wnj.com>
To: Tom Williams/R5/USEPA/US@EPA,
Date: 11/06/2012 12:15 PM
Subject: Information Requested

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Linda M. Taffs | Legal Secretary to
Michael L. Robinson, Jason L. Byrne and
Joe Sadler
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"Taffs, Linda"
<LTaffs@wnj.com>

11/06/2012 01:19 PM

To Tom Williams

cc

bcc

Subject RE: Information Requested

I just received a call from Ms. Muniz, so I'm all set. Thank you so much for your response. I didn't enclose anything, so you should have my whole message. Linda

From: Williams.Tom@epamail.epa.gov [mailto:Williams.Tom@epamail.epa.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, November 06, 2012 2:11 PM

To: Taffs, Linda

Cc: Boone.Denise@epamail.epa.gov; Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov

Subject: Re: Information Requested

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Nita Leftridge /R5/USEPA/US

02/13/2013 10:05 AM

To "Clarence C.R. Ringwalda"

cc Nuria Muniz, Tom Williams

bcc

Subject Re: WWW Tannery 104e Request/Reply

Dear CCRR:

On February 12, 2013, Lynn asked that documents be emailed. Attached are some of the documents responsive to your FOIA request that could be emailed. Not all documents can be emailed due to their size, those documents were burnt to a CD-rom which is being mailed to you.

Nita Leftridge
Government Information Specialist
Enforcement Services Section #3
Office of Superfund
(312) 353-4685

"Be kinder than necessary for everyone you meet is fighting some kind of battle."

104(E) Response - Part I - Wolverine World Wide



- 05-434859.pdf

104(E) Response - Part II - Wolverine World Wide



- 05-434860.pdf

MI State Senate Letter Re: Support of Wolverine

Worldwide's Request that USEPA and MDEQ
Terminate CERCLA-Related Activities



- 05-434862.pdf

City of Rockford Letter Re: Request that USEPA

and MDEQ Terminate CERCLA-Related Activities



- 05-434863.pdf

City of Rockford Letter Re: Nov 15, 2011 Meeting
and Summary of Discussion and Additional Related
Information Concerning "Summary of Concerns"

W/Enclosure



- 05-434864.pdf

EPA Memo Re: Data Request for Wolverine

Worldwide Former Tannery Site



- 05-451512.pdf

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"Clarence C.R. Ringwalda"
<ccrwalda@gmail.com>

07/18/2011 04:19 PM

To Nuria Muniz

cc

bcc

Subject Fwd: Wolverine Worldwide Tannery Demolition Wastes -
Rockford MI

Dear Nuria,

We are forwarding an e-mail that our environmental lawyer sent to Mike Worm and Ryan Grant today, sending pictures to them at their request. Thank you, CCRR Both gentlemen work for the Grand Rapids DEQ.

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **A. J. Birkbeck** <ajbirkbeck@fulcrumlaw.com>

Date: Mon, Jul 18, 2011 at 4:45 PM

Subject: Wolverine Worldwide Tannery Demolition Wastes - Rockford MI

To: wormmm@michigan.gov, grantr2@michigan.gov

Mike & Grant -

Per your request of earlier today, here is a link to photos of recent activities and impacted surface waters at the former Wolverine Worldwide tannery in Rockford, MI:

https://picasaweb.google.com/lh/sredir?uname=110394739956775205208&target=ALBUM&id=5630651234171622497&authkey=GvlsRgCL_0rNWY6_TskAE&invite=CIjits8G&feat=email

Please let me know if you have any problem accessing the photos in the link. I also spoke with David O'Donnell, who indicated he drove past the site this past Sunday. However, members of the CCRR have pointed out that the impacted waters in the attached photos would *not* have been visible to him unless he was provided on-site access or unless the property was approached from the river and a ladder used.

As I mentioned in our earlier call, citizens remain concerned about this clearly impacted surface water, as well as subsurface soil and groundwater impacts and the dust kicked up by continuing demolition operations. These concerns are compounded by the dearth of information that has been made available to the community. Further, it would appear as though the demolition contractor has not been diligent in adhering to the already minimal safeguards contained in its own demolition work plan, including dust control (there was none), surface water control and prevention of stormwater flow into neighboring surface waters (there appeared to be both point source and non-point source discharges to the Rogue River and Rum Creek), and a commitment to stop work if potential hazardous substances are encountered.

Thank you for your prompt attention to, and your continued interest in, this site.

Cordially,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. J. Birkbeck'.

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"Clarence C.R. Ringwalda"
<ccrrwalda@gmail.com>

07/20/2011 10:39 AM

To Nuria Muniz

cc

bcc

Subject Fwd: You are invited to view "Geoffrey Fifield's photo"

Here is file of photos from yesterday's demolition activities at the WWW tannery site in Rockford, Michigan.

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Geoffrey Fifield** <fifieldgeoffrey5@gmail.com>

Date: Wed, Jul 20, 2011 at 11:34 AM

Subject: You are invited to view "Geoffrey Fifield's photo"

To: ccrrwalda@gmail.com



[View Photo](#)

Message from Geoffrey Fifield:

Photos from July 19, 2011

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<https://picasaweb.google.com/lh/photo/RFprKKsE7t6NjDXWH11M3Sidik20E9qfYzZPOtmMiHM?feat=email>

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**Ernesto
Manzon/R5/USEPA/US**
07/25/2011 07:26 AM

To Nuria Muniz
cc Beverly Kush, Lorraine Kos, Evette Jones
bcc
Subject Re: WolverineWorldwide Former Tannery

Yes, there will be two versions in SDMS, a redacted copy (releasable) & unredacted copy (non-releasable).

Ernesto R. Manzon
ASRC Management Services
Contractor to the EPA
Tel.: 312/886-0212
Fax: 312/408-2217

Nuria Muniz

Ernesto:

07/25/2011 04:37:19 AM

From: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US
To: Beverly Kush/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Cc: Ernesto Manzon/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, Evette Jones/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, LORRAINE KOS/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 07/25/2011 04:37 AM
Subject: Re: WolverineWorldwide Former Tannery

Ernesto:

thank you! - yes please redact names and address pages.

and yes please add unredacted/non releasable version do SDMS.

Nuria

-----Beverly Kush/R5/USEPA/US wrote: -----

To: Ernesto Manzon/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
From: Beverly Kush/R5/USEPA/US
Date: 07/22/2011 03:23PM
Cc: Evette Jones/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, Lorraine Kos/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Subject: Re: WolverineWorldwide Former Tannery

Thank you for catching that. I think that the addresses and telephone numbers should be redacted. I guess putting an unredacted/non-releasable version in SDMA would be best, but I've copied Nuria Muniz in Site Assessment to see what she thinks since Nuria is the primary person dealing with the petition .

Ernesto Manzon---07/22/2011 01:43:33 PM---You submitted a document to be scanned into SDMS and marked Releasable. I was reviewing the pages of

From: Ernesto Manzon/R5/USEPA/US
To: Beverly Kush/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Cc: Evette Jones/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, Lorraine Kos/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 07/22/2011 01:43 PM
Subject: WolverineWorldwide Former Tannery

You submitted a document to be scanned into SDMS and marked Releasable. I was reviewing the pages of the document and I found out that the four signature pages have the addresses and telephone numbers of the petitioners. Should they (addresses and telephone numbers) be redacted? If they are to be redacted, do you want an unredacted/non-releasable version in SDMS? Please advice.

Thank you.

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Tel.: 312/886-0212
Fax: 312/408-2217

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Beverly Kush /R5/USEPA/US

08/04/2011 01:49 PM

To Nuria Muniz

cc Michael Gifford

bcc

Subject Re: wolverine

Jeff Kimble is the OSC assigned to the this site. He has been out at the oil spill in Marshall, MI lately, but hopefully he will be able to check into it soon.

Nuria Muniz

From: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US To:...

08/04/2011 01:30:14 PM

From: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US
To: Beverly Kush/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, Michael Gifford/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 08/04/2011 01:30 PM
Subject: wolverine

Bev and Mike:

Here is your copy of the response to the PA petition for Wolverine.

Bev: Did you assign an OSC for this site? Any news?

Nuria[attachment "Wolverine Worldwide Former Tannery Site.pdf" deleted by Beverly Kush/R5/USEPA/US]

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Michael Gifford /R5/USEPA/US

To Nuria Muniz

08/29/2011 02:18 PM

cc

bcc

Subject Fw: Geoffrey Fifield shared an album with you .

Nuria, thought you might be interested in a few photos from the WWW tannery site.

Mike Gifford, Acting Chief
Brownfield and NPL Reuse Section 1
Community and Land Revitalization Branch
U.S. EPA Region 5
77 W. Jackson Blvd. SB-7J
Chicago, IL 60604
phone: 312-886-7257
fax: 312-697-2078
cell: 630-902-1317

----- Forwarded by Michael Gifford/R5/USEPA/US on 08/29/2011 02:17 PM -----

From: Geoffrey Fifield <fifieldgeoffrey5@gmail.com>
To: Michael Gifford/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 08/26/2011 03:30 PM
Subject: Geoffrey Fifield shared an album with you .

You are invited to view Geoffrey Fifield's photo album: [The Sludge Factor: Unusual surface waters near WWTP of tannery and on site.](#)



The Sludge Factor: Unusual surface water appearances of waters near WWTP of

Aug 26, 2011

by **Geoffrey Fifield**

Observers are puzzled as to what material(s) is causing this unusual looking, but frequently noticed, waters near the WWTP of the recently demolished WWW tannery site . We are looking for clues for surfactants appeared minimal at best. Many VOC's have been ruled out. Any ideas?

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Message from Geoffrey Fifield:

Here is a photo album for everyone's files. The observers of these waters remain puzzled .

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**Mindy
Clements/R5/USEPA/US**

09/21/2011 02:40 PM

To Nuria Muniz

cc Beverly Kush

bcc

Subject Re: Wolverine Worldwide Tannery - Rockford, MI

Hi Bev and Nuria,

Do you think that we need to get together and discuss whether we need to have more follow up on this site assessment.

Thank you,

Mindy Cherng Clements

*Clements.Mindy@epa.gov *(312) 886-6439 *Program Analyst * Immediate Office*

* U. S. EPA R5 Superfund Division (M/C S-6J) ** 77 W. Jackson Blvd. Chicago, IL 60604 *

-----Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US wrote: -----

To: Beverly Kush/R5/USEPA/US@EPA

From: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

Date: 09/21/2011 11:33AM

Cc: Elissa Speizman/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, Jeffrey Kimble/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, Brian

Kelly/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, Mindy Clements/R5/USEPA/US@EPA

Subject: Re: Wolverine Worldwide Tannery - Rockford, MI

Hi Bev:

thanks for forwarding -

Nuria Muñiz
NPL Coordinator
Superfund Division
EPA Region 5
(Chicago, IL)
(312) 886-4439

Beverly Kush---09/21/2011 11:05:05 AM---Thanks, Elissa! I also just heard about this meeting from Mike Gifford in Brownfields. Prior to t

From: Beverly Kush/R5/USEPA/US

To: Elissa Speizman/R5/USEPA/US@EPA

Cc: Jeffrey Kimble/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, Brian Kelly/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, Nuria
Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA

Date: 09/21/2011 11:05 AM

Subject: Re: Wolverine Worldwide Tannery - Rockford, MI

Thanks, Elissa! I also just heard about this meeting from Mike Gifford in Brownfields. Prior to this, I've only been aware of the site in my removal job, where the Nuria Muniz from Site Assessment asked us to look at the petition for potential removal actions. I don't see Wolverine on the list of sites assigned to CICs, so I could assign someone and have them work with the web staff since it sounds like the site

could be gaining attention.

Elissa Speizman---09/21/2011 10:17:41 AM---Bev, I saw this article in today's clips:
<http://www.rockfordindependent.com/main.asp?SectionID=11&S>

From: Elissa Speizman/R5/USEPA/US
To: Beverly Kush/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Cc: Anne Rowan/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 09/21/2011 10:17 AM
Subject: Wolverine Worldwide Tannery - Rockford, MI

Bev,

I saw this article in today's clips:
<http://www.rockfordindependent.com/main.asp?SectionID=11&SubSectionID=11&ArticleID=4083>

I went to the EPA website and couldn't find a page relating to this SF site. The company is hosting a public meeting this week. Do you think we need to create any web content?

Elissa

Tuesday, September 20, 2011

EPA launches probe at former Wolverine tannery site

By Danielle Arndt

Tuesday, September 20, 2011



A group of 25 local residents submitted this binder of observations and concerns as part of a citizens' petition to the Environmental

Protection Agency Superfund Division. The EPA has determined the former Wolverine World Wide tannery site warrants further investigation, thus the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality is conducting a preliminary assessment on its behalf.



A crane with Pitsch Companies takes a bite out of the old tannery last fall during the site demolition.

To Learn More

What: Public meeting

When: 7 to 8 p.m.
Wednesday

Where:
Wolverine
World Wide
corporate
headquarters
at 9341
Courtland
Drive

Why: To

update the community on how the demolition of the former tannery complex went and to discuss the status of future development plans for the riverfront site.

What is CERCLA and Superfund?

CERCLA, which established the Superfund program, was enacted into federal law in 1980. According to the EPA's website, it set forth various criteria for ranking contaminated or hazardous waste sites relative to their threats to the environment and human health. CERCLA also created the National Priorities List.

Superfund is the division

that evaluates the need for remedial action at a site, as well as develops a plan for this action. Some sites may be cleaned up by state or federal authorities other than the EPA.	
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The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is conducting a preliminary assessment of the former Wolverine World Wide (WWW) tannery site as the result of a petition submitted by 25 local residents.

The petition was submitted to the Superfund Division of the EPA on June 21 by a group of residents known as the Concerned Citizens for Responsible Redevelopment (CCRR).

"As a group, our primary reason for submitting this petition was we were not getting answers to our questions from the city or the DEQ that were based on scientific evidence," said city resident and CCRR spokesman Grant Medich. "We got a lot of professional opinions, or what we would call personal opinions, with no testing or hard data to back it up."

In a letter obtained by The Rockford Independent dated Aug. 3, EPA officials stated the agency has determined the WWW site "is eligible for further assessment under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA)." The assessment will determine what action, if any, should be taken to perform environmental cleanup at the site.

Wolverine will host a meeting that is open to the public Wednesday to update the community on how the demolition of the former tannery complex went and to discuss the status of future development plans for the riverfront site.

Preliminary assessment

The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) will conduct the preliminary assessment of the Wolverine property per its Superfund site assessment cooperative agreement with the EPA.

The preliminary assessment, which officials described as a limited-scope screening investigation, is under way. Representatives from both the Lansing and Grand Rapids DEQ offices visited Rockford on Aug. 30 to review the site and meet with several petitioners.

"Right now we are gathering all of the information we need to write our report," said Joe Walczak, environmental quality specialist with the DEQ Remediation Division in Lansing. "We want to make sure we've looked under all the rocks, so to speak."

Walczak said officials will use a large binder of information and observations they received from local community members, any files and data on Wolverine from within the DEQ and data gathered by Wolverine itself to evaluate the site.

He said the process likely will take two to three months before the assessment can be submitted to the EPA for review and acceptance.

After the EPA receives the report, it has 30 days to sign off on the assessment and recommend either no further remedial action or that the site be advanced to the next step, which is inspection.

Possible site inspection

At the site inspection level, Walczak explained actual environmental testing would be done to document contaminants and identify source areas and the potential impacts of contamination. After the testing, the site would be put through the Superfund hazard ranking system, at which time the EPA would decide whether or not the site warranted being placed on the National Priorities List.

"It may be such that it is not of the magnitude to be placed on the National Priorities List," Walczak said. "Just because something goes through the Superfund process doesn't necessarily mean it goes on the National Priorities List. There are other cleanup authorities ... and other avenues for the site to still be tracked and monitored."

Citizen-driven efforts rare

Walczak said there are a number of ways a site may be discovered and brought to the attention of the Superfund, including via citizens, state agencies and EPA regional offices.

"It doesn't happen very often," he said of a citizens' petition acting as the catalyst for discovery through Superfund. "Typically, discovery happens through the state ... In the past 10 years, there have probably been four or five (citizens' petitions), but it certainly is not (the case) for a majority of sites."

CCRR members have been photographing water runoff and interviewing former Rockford tannery workers to document their concerns, among other things, since last August. The group conducted its own water sample test near the site and believes chemicals, such as chromium compounds often used in the treatment of leather, are migrating into Rum Creek and the Rogue River and could pose a risk to public health and the city's drinking water.

"This might be worth nothing or it might be worth a lot," Medich said. "But that's why we wanted a third party to come out and do an inspection. What we want to hear is that it was a clean demolition. This is Rockford, we all live here. We don't want (the property) to become a Superfund site. But we also think the potential for contamination should be taken seriously."

WWW also investigating

Throughout the demolition and site restoration process, Wolverine and the city have been adamant there are no known contaminants at the former tannery. However, David O'Donnell, district supervisor for the DEQ Remediation Division in Grand Rapids, said that is no longer the case.

"I don't believe that is accurate anymore," he said. "I believe the folks working for Wolverine found some stuff, and Wolverine is going to do some additional stuff as a result."

But he added it is his understanding Wolverine intends to discuss this matter at Wednesday's meeting.

O'Donnell said a consultant for Wolverine contacted the DEQ in May.

"They represented it to us that during the demolition, they saw a couple of things that required some further investigation and they came in to talk with us about that and to get our opinion on what types of

testing to do," he said.

O'Donnell said, as far as he is aware, all of the recent testing at the site has been groundwater testing via test wells. He added Wolverine also did some testing with respect to the wastewater treatment plant prior to demolishing the factory in early 2010. He confirmed that the DEQ gave Wolverine a copy of the residents' petition and that Wolverine is aware of the EPA preliminary assessment.

"Wolverine is conducting (its investigation) voluntarily," O'Donnell said. "They do not have to consult with the DEQ to conduct an (environmental) assessment of their own property ... Our role is to perform oversight and to ensure that any investigation that is done complies with the state law. It is a voluntary cleanup program (Wolverine) is participating in and they can go ahead and do the investigation, they don't need us. Wolverine has taken the extra step of actually including the DEQ."

Company to shed some light

Wolverine's attorney Kenneth Grady said the company officially wrapped up work at the former tannery property on Sept. 1.

"It has been about two years since we started," he said. "So we thought because we've reached sort of a milestone, we would update the community on the redevelopment efforts."

He said officials with Wolverine and the DEQ will be at the meeting to answer questions from the public. He said they plan to focus discussion on the "facts about the site" from when the tannery was shut down in 2009 until the present.

"(It will include) the process of decommissioning the site and the many, many steps that are involved in that process," Grady said. "(The process) also is one that requires many permits to do what we did at that site and we will share how we met or exceeded all of the regulatory steps in that process ... to ensure those buildings did not pose any risks when they came down."

Grady confirmed that Wolverine has conducted groundwater testing on the property. He said while the details will be presented on Wednesday, the "good news" that came from the testing is virtually all of the substances Wolverine tested for came in either below detectable levels or below acceptable standards.

"There were a few (wells) where we did detect levels but nothing, in our view, that affects us moving forward with redevelopment," he said.

Rockford City Manager Michael Young said he was not aware of the EPA assessment nor of the citizen group's petition.

"This group has not shared anything with the city about its end goal - although it has filed more FOIA requests than I've seen in all my previous years as city manager," Young said. "If Wolverine is willing to voluntarily do testing and to share the results of that testing with the public - and how that will play into anything the EPA might do, I don't know - but I don't think we can ask for much more from them."

"I look forward to the meeting Wednesday (with Wolverine). I think we will get some good information and a good update."

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Mike Ribordy /R5/USEPA/US

09/27/2011 09:13 AM

To Mindy Clements

cc Patrick Hamblin, Nuria Muniz, Charles Gebien, Jason El-Zein

bcc

Subject Wolverine World Wide Tannery, Rockford, MI

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Wolverine Letter.PDF Wolverine News Article.PDF

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**LAWRENCE
SCHMITT/R5/USEPA/US**

09/28/2011 02:41 PM

To Nuria Muniz

cc Mike Ribordy, Mindy Clements

bcc

Subject Re: Fw: Wolverine World Wide Tannery, Rockford, MI

Hi Nuria,

I just spoke with Mike about this and understand that you are not in the office today. I actually intended to respond to the letter I received from the Kent Conservation District, but never did as I got distracted by end of year crises. Looking at the letter to Rick, it is exactly the same letter I received and the same date. When you and I spoke about my response we were not aware of the identical letter to Rick of course. Given that Rick now needs to respond, it seems best that I wait till after that and reference Rick's response as the division's response. Also given that we have the earlier letter that was prepared to the petitioners, it seems like the best thing to do is re-work the response to petitioners slightly, and I would really appreciate it if you would do that so that I don't change the intent of the letter. I'll try to stop by to explain to Mindy as well so she knows the context. Let me know if you would like to discuss anything. Thanks.

Larry

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Nuria Muniz

Larry: It seems that this is the letter on...

09/27/2011 09:43:26 AM

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Cc: Mike Ribordy/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, Mindy Clements/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 09/27/2011 09:43 AM
Subject: Fw: Wolverine World Wide Tannery, Rockford, MI

Larry:

It seems that this is the letter on Wolverine you had received - I believe you responded to their letter already. Can you confirm.

Thanks.

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Joan Tanaka /R5/USEPA/US

10/04/2011 05:00 PM

To Anne Rowan

cc cannon.phillippa, Joshua Singer, Nuria Muniz, Mindy Clements

bcc

Subject Re: Press call regarding citizen petition on Wolverine Tannery, Rockford, MI

I'm available before 8:30, and after 10. I assume this is a pre-remedial site. Should we invite staff who might know more about this site? I never heard of it.

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Anne Rowan

Hi Joan and Josh, Can you two discuss...

10/04/2011 04:50:05 PM

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To: Joan Tanaka/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, Joshua Singer/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Cc: cannon.phillippa@epa.gov, Karl.Richard@epa.gov
Date: 10/04/2011 04:50 PM
Subject: Press call regarding citizen petition on Wolverine Tannery , Rockford, MI

Hi Joan and Josh,

Can you two discuss Wednesday morning.

Rick Karl forwarded me a voicemail from Danielle (couldn't make out her last name) at the Rockford Independent.

She has a copy of an EPA letter about its assessment of the site The reporter can be reached at 616-788-3012.

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**Mindy
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10/04/2011 05:19 PM

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cc cannon.phillippa, Joan Tanaka, Joshua Singer, Nuria Muniz
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Joshua Singer /R5/USEPA/US

10/04/2011 08:20 PM

To Mindy Clements

cc cannon.phillippa, Anne Rowan, Joan Tanaka, Nuria Muniz

bcc

Subject Re: Press call regarding citizen petition on Wolverine
Tannery, Rockford, MI

Yes, I'll set up the call for 10:45 a.m. if that is possible for the reporter. Thanks.

Josh

-----Mindy Clements/R5/USEPA/US wrote: -----

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From: Mindy Clements/R5/USEPA/US

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10/05/2011 09:41 AM

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bcc

Subject Re: Press call regarding citizen petition on Wolverine
Tannery, Rockford, MI

I set up a call with the reporter, Danielle, for 10:45 a.m. central time. I will come down to Joan's office between 10:15 and 10:30.

The reporter wants general info on citizen petitions : how many we receive annually (in Region 5), how many result in action, how they work, and how "seriously" we take them.

She also wants an update on the Wolverine Tannery site if there is one .

She is working on the article for next Tuesday's paper (the Rockford Independent is a weekly paper).

Thank you.

Josh Singer
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Mindy Clements

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To Nuria Muniz

cc

10/05/2011 09:53 AM

bcc

Subject Re: Fw: Press call regarding citizen petition on Wolverine Tannery, Rockford, MI

Thanks Nuria. Do you want me on the line as well? Please let me know

Nuria Muniz

Dave and PC: Briefing Joan Tanaka (...)

10/05/2011 10:16:35 AM

From: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US
To: PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, Dave Novak/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 10/05/2011 10:16 AM
Subject: Fw: Press call regarding citizen petition on Wolverine Tannery , Rockford, MI

Dave and PC:

Briefing Joan Tanaka (my Branch Chief) on Wolverine and will need to speak with reporter .

So far:

1) State is doing PA (possibly by November) under a Cooperative Agreement with EPA (PA/SI grant)

2)If the site scores (very likely) we will do a "integrated " Assessment - both Removal and State Site Assessment groups will work together .

I will keep you posted on any other developments .

Nuria

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Joshua Singer /R5/USEPA/US

10/05/2011 01:29 PM

To Nuria Muniz

cc Joan Tanaka, Mindy Clements

bcc

Subject 2 documents to send to reproter re: Wolverine Tannery,
Rockford, MI

Nuria,

Do you have those two documents to send to the reporter? As far as I know, her deadline is not until Monday, so if you would like to wait until tomorrow to get back to me, that is fine.

Thank you all again for your help on the call.

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**Mindy
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10/06/2011 10:23 AM

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Joshua Singer, PARTAP LALL, Dave Novak
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Subject SSID for Wolverine Worldwide Tannery

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Michael Gifford /R5/USEPA/US

To Nuria Muniz

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10/06/2011 01:28 PM

bcc

Subject Re: Wolverine

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Nuria Muniz

Hi Mike: New OSC is PC Lall

10/06/2011 01:01:45 PM

From: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US
To: Michael Gifford/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 10/06/2011 01:01 PM
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Michael Gifford /R5/USEPA/US

To Nuria Muniz

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I'm sure they will be but I suspect he will also get a range of perspectives .

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10/06/2011 01:42:30 PM

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To: Michael Gifford/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 10/06/2011 01:42 PM
Subject: Re: Wolverine

He said he would try to meet with the community- and I gave him the information packet.
He also said he wanted to come in with the District. - So I hope they are receptive.

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Michael Gifford

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PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US

10/07/2011 11:23 AM

To Jason El-Zein, Brian Kelly

cc Joan Tanaka, Nuria Muniz, Dave Novak

bcc

Subject wolverine world wide tannery

Jason and Brian:

Just to let you know

Since my last message to you regarding Wolverine there have been some developments prompting us to take a second look. Joan and Nuria have received press enquiries as well as additional citizens questions and there is additional concern about increased incidence of disease (cancer cluster) in residential area that was built on land where tannery sludge was disposed off. As a result they suggested that removal should look at the site sooner as opposed to waiting for the PA. I think it is a good idea, but we need to get the Grand Rapids district office on board since Dave O'donald is adamantly opposed to us getting involved at this time because he said the state wants to keep it a voluntary action for now. We will be negotiating with Dave and see how we can help with the situation and I will plan site visit accordingly. Thanks

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**Mindy
Clements/R5/USEPA/US**

10/07/2011 12:06 PM

To JOHN MARITOTE

cc Nuria Muniz

bcc

Subject Re: SSID for Wolverine Worldwide Tannery

Hi John,

This is currently a pre-remedial site with no RPMs assigned as of yet but we are going to be in talks with the removal program about getting PC possibly assigned in conjunction with the pre-remedial work. Nuria can be the staff assigned to the site right now until later.

Thank you,

Mindy Cherng Clements

*Clements.Mindy@epa.gov *(312) 886-6439 *Program Analyst * Immediate Office*

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-----JOHN MARITOTE/R5/USEPA/US wrote: -----

To: Mindy Clements/R5/USEPA/US@EPA

From: JOHN MARITOTE/R5/USEPA/US

Date: 10/06/2011 10:59AM

Subject: Re: SSID for Wolverine Worldwide Tannery

Who is the RPM assigned? Note: the number will not be fully functional for a few weeks.

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10/07/2011 01:08 PM

To Darius Taylor
cc Mindy Clements, Nuria Muniz, Doug Zamastil, Joan Tanaka,
Joshua Singer, PARTAP LALL, Dave Novak
bcc
Subject Wolverine Worldwide Tannery site

Darius, I need an I.D. number fro the Wolverine Worldwide Tannery site which is located in rockford , Michigan. It has a CERCLIS I.D. number of MIN 000 510 613. this is a pre-remedial site with Nuria Muniz and Mindy Clements as the contacts.

Also, can you please send down these number even though you cannot put them in yet. that way we can have them on the paperwork that goes for each site.

Thanks

John

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Date: 10/06/2011 10:23 AM
Subject: SSID for Wolverine Worldwide Tannery

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Thank you,
Mindy Cherng Clements * (312) 886-6439 *
* EPA R5 Superfund *

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PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US

10/07/2011 01:26 PM

To Brian Kelly

cc Dave Novak, Jason El-Zein, Joan Tanaka, Nuria Muniz

bcc

Subject Re: wolverine world wide tannery

Brian

You are right , I did say the state is adamantly opposed (except I misspelled the word adamantly) to us getting involved at this time and true normally we will wait for the state to request our help , but in this case the thing that complicates the situation is that a whole bunch of citizens are complaining that the state is not responsive to their concerns and is not providing any information just as the company is not . That is my input, of course the decision will be management's.

Brian Kelly

You said the state is "adamantly oppos...

10/07/2011 01:41:50 PM

From: Brian Kelly/R5/USEPA/US
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Date: 10/07/2011 01:41 PM
Subject: Re: wolverine world wide tannery

You said the state is "adamantly opposed to us getting involved." Unless there is a reason, the state should continue as the lead. Press interest and citizen questions should be referred to the state .

Brian Kelly, Acting Chief
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(734) 692-7684 (o)
(734) 740-9019 (c)

PARTAP LALL

Jason and Brian: Just to let you know

10/07/2011 12:23:09 PM

From: PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US
To: Jason El-Zein/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, Brian Kelly/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Cc: Joan Tanaka/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, Dave Novak/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 10/07/2011 12:23 PM
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Jason and Brian:

Just to let you know

Since my last message to you regarding Wolverine there have been some developments prompting us to take a second look. Joan and Nuria have received press enquiries as well as additional citizens questions and there is additional concern about increased incidence of disease (cancer cluster) in residential area that was built on land where tannery sludge was disposed off . As a result they suggested that removal should look at the site sooner as opposed to waiting for the PA . I think it is a good idea, but we need to get the Grand Rapids district office on board since Dave O'donald is adamantly opposed to us

getting involved at this time because he said the state wants to keep it a voluntary action for now . We will be negotiating with Dave and see how we can help with the situation and I will plan site visit accordingly .
Thanks

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Darius Taylor /R5/USEPA/US

10/13/2011 08:59 AM

To JOHN MARITOTE

cc Dave Novak, Doug Zamastil, Joan Tanaka, Joshua Singer,
Mindy Clements, Nuria Muniz, PARTAP LALL

bcc

Subject Re: Wolverine Worldwide Tannery site

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JOHN MARITOTE

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10/07/2011 01:08:38 PM

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Thanks

John

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Darius Taylor /R5/USEPA/US

10/13/2011 09:01 AM

To JOHN MARITOTE

cc Dave Novak, Doug Zamastil, Joan Tanaka, Joshua Singer,
Mindy Clements, Nuria Muniz, PARTAP LALL

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PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US

To Nuria Muniz

cc

10/13/2011 10:52 AM

bcc

Subject wolverine tannery site

Greetings Nuria

Here is the contact info for David O'donnell

Greetings

odonnell@michigan.gov

Phone 616 356-0500

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PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US

10/18/2011 01:58 PM

To Nuria Muniz

cc

bcc

Subject Accepted: Wolverine - internal next steps

EPA-R5-2017-011401-71

**Mindy
Clements/R5/USEPA/US**
10/18/2011 06:51 PM

To Nuria Muniz

cc

bcc

Subject Accepted:Wolverine - internal next steps

EPA-R5-2017-011401-72

Michael Gifford /R5/USEPA/US

To Nuria Muniz

cc

10/19/2011 11:40 AM

bcc

Subject Re: Wolverine call - 10-11 am (Central)- Call in information

Nuria, will you be in a conference room with folks from the Region? If so, I'll join you tomorrow.

Mike Gifford, Acting Chief
Brownfield and NPL Reuse Section 1
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Nuria Muniz

866-299-3188 code 312-353-8730

10/19/2011 11:30:20 AM

From: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US
To: Brian Kelly/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, Mindy Clements/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, Michael Gifford/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 10/19/2011 11:30 AM
Subject: Wolverine call - 10-11 am (Central)- Call in information

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PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US

10/24/2011 11:45 AM

To Nuria Muniz

cc

bcc

Subject Accepted: Tentative Date and Time for Wolverine Discussion
with DEQ

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**Mindy
Clements/R5/USEPA/US**
10/24/2011 01:14 PM

To Nuria Muniz

cc

bcc

Subject Accepted: Tentative Date and Time for Wolverine Discussion
with DEQ

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"O'Donnell, David (DEQ)"
<ODONNELLD@michigan.gov>

10/26/2011 09:14 AM

To Nuria Muniz, Brian Kelly, DENISE BOONE, Mindy Clements,
PARTAP LALL, "Walczak, Joe (DEQ)", "Pawloski, John
(DEQ)", "Monet, David (DEQ)"

cc

bcc

Subject RE: Invitation: Tentative Date and Time for Wolverine
Discussion with DEQ (Oct 27 10:00 AM CDT)

Naria: I have a conflicting appointment set up by my boss 10 to noon ET so I'll have to see if I can beg off that before I can commit to the call on Thursday. Can this call be done 11:00 to Noon CT (12 – 1:00 ET)?

-----Original Appointment-----

From: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US [<mailto:Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov>]

Sent: Tuesday, October 25, 2011 4:48 PM

To: Brian Kelly/R5/USEPA/US; DENISE BOONE/R5/USEPA/US; Mindy Clements/R5/USEPA/US; O'Donnell, David (DEQ); PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US; Walczak, Joe (DEQ)

Subject: Invitation: Tentative Date and Time for Wolverine Discussion with DEQ (Oct 27 10:00 AM CDT)

When: Thursday, October 27, 2011 11:00 AM-12:00 PM (GMT-05:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada).

Where:

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Noreen
Weimer/R5/USEPA/US
10/26/2011 09:28 AM

To Nuria Muniz
cc
bcc
Subject FOIA 01413-11

Nuria:

Sorry about this late notice, I forgot to ask you, do you have any site assessment for:

Wolverine World Wide, Wolverine Leather and Wolverine World Wide Tannery, all located at: 123 North Main Street, or 181 North Main Street, Rockford, Michigan, thanks.

Could you respond asap, this needs to go out on Monday October 31, 2011. I found no records at all, thanks.

Noreen Weimer
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Michael Gifford /R5/USEPA/US

10/26/2011 03:09 PM

To Nuria Muniz

cc

bcc

Subject Declined: Tentative Date and Time for Wolverine Discussion
with DEQ

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**Noreen
Weimer/R5/USEPA/US**
10/27/2011 05:58 AM

To: Nuria Muniz
cc
bcc

Subject: Re: Fw: Freedom of Information Act Request 01413-11

I already answered her question. I had only 1 document that I could find but since I forgot to ask for assessment information I explained that we had a lot more documents so I am waiting to hear back from her, thanks.

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Nuria Muniz

I was looking into this because it seem...

10/26/2011 01:58:09 PM

From: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US
To: Noreen Weimer/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 10/26/2011 01:58 PM
Subject: Fw: Freedom of Information Act Request 01413-11

I was looking into this because it seems she also is expecting an answer from you ... do we have other documents.

Nuria Muñiz
NPL Coordinator
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----- Forwarded by Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US on 10/26/2011 01:57 PM -----

From: "Sharon R. Newlon" <SNewlon@dickinson-wright.com>
To: Noreen Weimer/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Cc: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 10/26/2011 10:44 AM
Subject: RE: Freedom of Information Act Request 01413-11

I will get back to you shortly on the request for extension and cost issues. Based on an earlier e-mail from your office, I thought that the only document in EPA's Superfund files was the June 2011 Summary of Concerns/petition for preliminary assessment. As I indicated in my prior e-mail, we appear to have that document from another source and would not need a copy from EPA. Please confirm whether there appear to be other documents in the Superfund files concerning the Tannery property. Thanks!

Sharon R. Newlon
Dickinson Wright PLLC

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(313) 303-8360 (cell)

-----Original Message-----

From: Weimer.Noreen@epamail.epa.gov [mailto:Weimer.Noreen@epamail.epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, October 26, 2011 10:58 AM
To: Sharon R. Newlon
Cc: Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov
Subject: Freedom of Information Act Request 01413-11

Sharon:

I am with the Superfund Division of the U.S. EPA and was assigned your FOIA regarding Wolverine. You gave a fee commitment of \$50.00, this cost will be over that amount. An estimate amount is very hard to give, I would say a rough estimate of \$500.00 and it would take longer to respond, therefore I am requesting an extension of time to 12/2/11. Please let me know if you still want us to work on this, and if so, please let me know that you agree to the extension of time, thanks.

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PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US

To Nuria Muniz

cc

11/01/2011 10:59 AM

bcc

Subject Re: Wolverine call 1-2 pm Central- 2-3 Eastern - Please
reply to confirm

I will participate

Nuria Muniz

[Wolverine call today 2 -3 Eastern](#)

[11/01/2011 11:56:13 AM](#)

From: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US
To: odonnell@michigan.gov, PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov,
DENISE BOONE/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, Brian Kelly/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Cc: Mindy Clements/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 11/01/2011 11:56 AM
Subject: Wolverine call 1-2 pm Central- 2-3 Eastern - Please reply to confirm

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PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US

To Nuria Muniz

cc

11/01/2011 11:16 AM

bcc

Subject wolverine

Nuria

Brian said he has managers meeting at the same time so he will not be participating , but we will go ahead with the call as planned. Thanks

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"Robinson, Michael"
<MRobinson@wnj.com>
11/02/2011 09:33 PM

To Nuria Muniz
cc "WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov", PARTAP LALL, "O'Donnell,
David (DEQ)"
bcc
Subject Re: Wolverine World Wide visit

Yes, that will work fine. Mike

On Nov 2, 2011, at 5:51 PM, "Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov" <Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov>
> wrote:

Hi Michael:

It seems that Nov 8 will work for us at EPA. Could we do a mid morning 10:30 -11 am and plan to be done by 1:30 -2:00 pm?

Nuria

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From: "Robinson, Michael" <MRobinson@wnj.com>
To: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 11/02/2011 01:49 PM
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Mike

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"Robinson, Michael"
<MRobinson@wnj.com>
11/03/2011 07:22 AM

To Nuria Muniz
cc "WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov", PARTAP LALL, "O'Donnell,
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bcc
Subject RE: Wolverine World Wide visit

I will send directions to you later this morning. If we start at 10:30am eastern at the Wolverine offices and then go to the site, which is only about two miles away, we will have plenty of time for the site walk around. Nuria, that should get you back on the road in the 1:30-2:00 pm window to avoid the heaviest of the Chicago traffic. We will be happy to provide sandwiches/salads/beverages for an early working lunch at the Wolverine conference room if that is ok with you (if you are required to pay us for the sandwich, that would be fine, but we are happy to provide a complimentary lunch). Please let me know if you have any preferences regarding lunch. From your email it looks like there will be two persons from EPA (Nuria and Partap) and at least two from DEQ (Joe and David O.). If there are others coming please let me know so that we can have a big enough conference room and enough lunches. The forecast for Tuesday is for some rain, but we won't let that stop the site visit. If there are any specific topics that you would like us to be prepared to address, please let me know in advance of the 8th and we will do our best to be prepared to address them. We have information and data that we will be presenting to you in the meeting before we go to the site.

Mike

From: Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov [mailto:Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, November 02, 2011 5:51 PM
To: Robinson, Michael
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11/03/2011 08:45 AM

To Nuria Muniz, PARTAP LALL, "WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov",
"O'Donnell, David (DEQ)" , "Monet, David (DEQ)"

cc

bcc

Subject Directions to Wolverine World Wide and former tannery site

Attached are maps showing the Wolverine World Wide offices and the former tannery site location in Rockford, Michigan for your use in arriving at our meeting/site visit on November 8 at 10:30am eastern.

Take US-131 north to the 10 Mile Rd exit. Go east on 10 Mile Rd (the name changes to Division Street in the City of Rockford). Continue on Division to Wolverine Blvd and turn left (north). Go to 11 Mile Rd/Courtland Drive and turn right (east) onto Courtland Dr. Follow the curving road uphill around the church to the entrance on the left to the Wolverine World Wide headquarters. You will see a long row of flags of many countries along the entrance road. Go to the center building and park in the visitor parking on the right side of the road in front of the building. Come to the desk in the lobby and ask for Ken Grady.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Mike



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"Robinson, Michael"
<MRobinson@wnj.com>
11/03/2011 10:21 AM

To Nuria Muniz
cc "O'Donnell, David (DEQ)", PARTAP LALL,
"WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov"
bcc
Subject RE: Wolverine World Wide visit

Thanks, we will have information on the five items that you list below. See you on the 8th.

From: Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov [mailto:Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, November 03, 2011 9:59 AM
To: Robinson, Michael
Cc: O'Donnell, David (DEQ); Lall.Partap@epamail.epa.gov; WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov
Subject: RE: Wolverine World Wide visit

Mike:

Partap (PC) and I are likely the only ones attending for EPA.
A third person expressed interest - I will let you know if he will attend.

Thanks for organizing a working lunch - PC and I will pay Wolverine as we usually do.
We would appreciate any information you can provide on the following:

layout of historical operations
brief overview of materials / chemicals dealt with
overview of disposal or drainage
extent of soil removal - what it was based on?
location of monitoring wells/ depth of screening

e-mail me or call me if you have any other questions.

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Date: 11/03/2011 07:22 AM
Subject: RE: Wolverine World Wide visit

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11/03/2011 10:55 AM

To Nuria Muniz, "Robinson, Michael"

cc PARTAP LALL, "Walczak, Joe (DEQ)", "Monet, David (DEQ)", "Pawloski, John (DEQ)"

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Subject RE: Wolverine World Wide visit

I will be attending on behalf of the Grand Rapids District

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Mike please count on 3 folks from EPA -
Dave Novak from our community involvement office may be attending as well .

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Mike:

Partap (PC) and I are likely the only ones attending for EPA.
A third person expressed interest - I will let you know if he will attend.

Thanks for organizing a working lunch - PC and I will pay Wolverine as we usually do.
We would appreciate any information you can provide on the following:

layout of historical operations
brief overview of materials / chemicals dealt with
overview of disposal or drainage
extent of soil removal - what it was based on?
location of monitoring wells/ depth of screening

e-mail me or call me if you have any other questions.

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Dave Novak/R5/USEPA/US

11/04/2011 09:41 AM

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11/04/2011 08:57:41 AM

From: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US
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11/04/2011 09:48 AM

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9 am Central I am on the phone - will...

11/04/2011 09:45:31 AM

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Date: 11/04/2011 09:45 AM
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11/04/2011 09:41:46 AM

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Dave Novak /R5/USEPA/US

11/04/2011 11:07 AM

To Nuria Muniz

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Subject Re: Landfill reference in binder A SECOND LANDFILL
REFERENCE

Also on page 3 of Tannery Worker George's comments/narrative in item 3, "Oh, I forgot to tell you

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ok - will look it up.

11/04/2011 10:51:00 AM

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Dave Novak

The reference to a landfill is found on p...

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The reference to a landfill is found on page 8, Section **B**, subsection **b**, the fifth, sixth and seventh sentences, referring to "Also, it was built on top of or right near a former city dumping area."

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PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US

To Nuria Muniz

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11/14/2011 08:57 AM

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Subject Re: Rockford - call with Town Supervisor.

I am in today and tomorrow, will be at a site after that, but will be reachable by cell if you need me.

Nuria Muniz

PC and Joe: Are either would like to joi...

11/14/2011 09:33:20 AM

From: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US
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Subject: Rockford - call with Town Supervisor.

PC and Joe:

Are either would like to join a call with the Town supervisor -
If so, what is is your schedule?

town supervisor

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Dave Novak/R5/USEPA/US

11/14/2011 02:13 PM

To Nuria Muniz

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Subject Re: Are you available ??? Call with Town Supervisor (2-3 Central / 3-4 Eastern)

Today? I have another conference call at the same time. I am already late for it. Maybe at 3 CST?

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[Are you available to call Michael Young...](#)

11/14/2011 01:48:05 PM

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Are you available to call Michael Young -
he would like to give us his perspective on the petition

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PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US

11/14/2011 02:19 PM

To Nuria Muniz

cc Dave Novak

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You mean today, yes I am

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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

11/15/2011 03:26 PM

To Nuria Muniz

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Subject Wolverine - Michael Young

Michael Young: 11/15 2 pm

Helpful to see Rockford's perspective
State seem do not want to seem adversarial

Suggestion that City did not have any guidance -
We finally ... daily air monitoring

Materials testing components.
permissible levels...
3 - days to get the canister date - information was distributed.
there was a air quality plan in place...
no air quality issues ... DEQ was asked to provide inspections - and making site inspections
air was checked metals - cadmium and lead - chromium... tri and hex ... no concern about height
Every indication that they were stand along
Wetting of the demolition site... 3 hydrants in the perimeter... water meter... we can track every hydrant -
500,000 gals of water.
personal devices

Heidi Hollenbeck ... no air quality issues from DEQ's perspective.

Demolitions permits... soil erosion and sedimentation control... through local ordinance. 3 State license
officer - they did inspections on the site... cloudy and turbid water left the site... no incredibly alarming
They have logs. Pumped water from the site into a tank... ..and that was sampled before it went into the

City Water Treatment ... Never discharged -- into water... and used the clarifier to use to wet the
building
standing water after torrential rains would be pumped.

Kessner (consultant) - Material's Testing
Gene Gutting ... environmental engineer... (Pitch)

Water intakes right on river... downstream from the Wolverine Tannery... monitored
Below the damn.. water for drinking water.

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11/17/2011 06:58 AM

To Nuria Muniz

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BOONE

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David Brauner /R5/USEPA/US

11/17/2011 09:37 AM

To Nuria Muniz

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Nuria,

Here are my thoughts on Mike's questions:

- 1) Re: sampling at the pump house: I am assuming that we want to sample along that portion of the river bank due to the potential of contaminants migrating from the "inland" portion of the site.
- 2) Erica and I looked into geoprobes and couldn't find anything that says you can't go into the saturated zone. PC may have some more insight into this.
- 3) Wolverine may claim that all of the material from the pit has been removed, but there needs to be confirmation sampling to determine whether or not there is any residual contamination.

David

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Hi Mike: We will get answers for you to...

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David Brauner /R5/USEPA/US

11/17/2011 10:13 AM

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Basically what I said, except giving better explanations.

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PARTAP LALL

Good morning 1. In the sixth bullet, it is...

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Date: 11/17/2011 10:11 AM
Subject: Re: Fw: RE: Wolverine Worldwide - Data Request

Good morning

1. In the sixth bullet, it is stated that "16 ft depth or when ground water is encountered", meaning stop drilling once water is encountered and examine the material in the tube for sampling.
2. In the 7th bullet reference to pit area is for soils around where the pit was. We do not want you to sample the clean fill material that was placed in the area, but surrounding soils in order to understand if the removal was complete or if there has been migration outside the pit. We will help you identify the sampling locations once we have the exact dimensions and location of the back filled area of the pit. For depth use the same procedure as explained above.
3. Soil and sediment sampling of river bank and river bed in the area of pump house, cove and WWTP is based upon flow patterns of surface and shallow ground water which could have carried chemicals and deposited them over the years.

Thank you

Nuria Muniz

PC - can you take a look at these. Tha...

11/17/2011 07:36:40 AM

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11/17/2011 10:50 AM

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Thanks for the information PC. We will take all this under consideration. We plan to discuss the sampling internally on Monday.

-----Original Message-----

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WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov; Lall.Partap@epamail.epa.gov;
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Subject: Re: Fw: RE: Wolverine Worldwide - Data Request

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To: PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 11/17/2011 07:36 AM
Subject: Fw: RE: Wolverine Worldwide - Data Request

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Thanks,

Nuria

-----Forwarded by Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US on 11/17/2011 08:35AM -----

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From: "Robinson, Michael" <MRobinson@wnj.com>
Date: 11/17/2011 07:58AM
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Sent: Wednesday, November 16, 2011 3:34 PM
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PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US

11/17/2011 11:12 AM

To Nuria Muniz, "O'Donnell, David (DEQ)",
"WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov", PARTAP LALL, Dave Novak,
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PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US

11/17/2011 11:15 AM

To Nuria Muniz

cc David Brauner

bcc

Subject Re: PC - please see comments on Wolverine questions

Nuria

Right after I sent the response I got this email, but I think we are covered. Talk to you soon

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"Robinson, Michael"
<MRobinson@wnj.com>

11/28/2011 01:01 PM

To Nuria Muniz, Dave Novak, PARTAP LALL, "O'Donnell, David (DEQ)", "Pawloski, John (DEQ)" , "Monet, David (DEQ)", "WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov"

cc

bcc

Subject sampling plans

All:

Attached is Wolverine World Wide's proposed sampling plan. Wolverine proposed certain sampling in it's September 19, 2011 report. This sampling plan adds more work in response to EPA's suggested sampling described in it's November 15, 2011 letter. You will see in the attachment that Wolverine is suggesting work that goes beyond what EPA suggested and it also explains why Wolverine is not adopting certain of EPA's suggestions. Mark Westra and I will be meeting with Joe Walczak tomorrow morning. If you have any comments on the attachment that you can email to me before 10am tomorrow, that would be helpful. Please note that we will have two figures to attach to this plan that show sheet flow directions and suggested sampling locations for the plan. I will send those figures to you when we finish preparing them (which should be by tomorrow sometime). Thanks, Mike Robinson



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"Robinson, Michael"
<MRobinson@wnj.com>

11/28/2011 01:54 PM

To Nuria Muniz, PARTAP LALL, Dave Novak, "O'Donnell, David (DEQ)", "WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov", "Monet, David (DEQ)", "Pawloski, John (DEQ)"

cc

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Subject two figures



Attached are the two figures for our suggested sampling plan. Mike [030770_ADDINV_2_F.pdf](#)



[030770_ADDINV_1_F.pdf](#)

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"Robinson, Michael"
<MRobinson@wnj.com>

12/01/2011 09:41 AM

To Nuria Muniz, PARTAP LALL

cc ""Walczak, Joe (DEQ)", ""Mark Westra""

bcc

Subject

Nuria and PC, Joe and I spoke this morning about our sampling plan and he indicated that there was a question about how much material was removed from the pit and that there was some confusion that assumed that we removed only 10 cubic yards of material from the pit area. The 10 cubic yards is the volume of the dark stained soil that we removed at the former final clarifier at the WWTP and that volume represents all the visually contaminated soil. We are proposing two geoprobes for that area where we removed the 10 cubic yards.

In the pit area we removed about 250 cubic yards of soil, sludge and minor debris which was the TOTAL volume of material at that location. We excavated down to the water table and all the way to the three walls of that area. I am pretty sure that we removed material in the direction of the non-wall area where it appeared that the material ended. In any event, we are proposing geoprobes around that area to confirm that and a monitoring well IN the pit area.

Also, please note that the piezometers that we are going to sample are monitoring wells and were installed as such. They were originally identified as piezometers because we only took elevation data in last investigation, but they are full fledged monitoring wells.

I hope that clears up any confusion on those points.

Mike

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"Robinson, Michael"
<MRobinson@wnj.com>
12/01/2011 09:44 AM

To: Nuria Muniz
cc: "WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov", PARTAP LALL, David Brauner
bcc:
Subject: RE: data request

We will do them electronically and send them to you and Joe electronically. Yes, Joe explained that PC may have some comments on our work plan. Thanks, Mike

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Sent: Thursday, December 01, 2011 10:38 AM
To: Robinson, Michael
Cc: WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov; Lall.Partap@epamail.epa.gov; Brauner.David@epamail.epa.gov
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Date: 12/01/2011 08:57 AM
Subject: data request

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"Robinson, Michael"
<MRobinson@wnj.com>
12/02/2011 10:51 AM

To: Nuria Muniz
cc: David Brauner, PARTAP LALL, "WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov"
bcc:
Subject: RE: data request

Ok, thanks Nuria. I hope things work out ok for PC's emergency. Mike

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Sent: Friday, December 02, 2011 11:15 AM
To: Robinson, Michael
Cc: Brauner.David@epamail.epa.gov; Lall.Partap@epamail.epa.gov; WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov
Subject: RE: data request

Mike and Joe:

Just FYI - PC he has been out of the office due to a family emergency. No access to internet
He left me a message should be in on Monday - so we should have all consolidated comments early next week.

Have a good week end.

Nuria

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"Robinson, Michael"
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12/05/2011 07:50 AM

To "WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov", Nuria Muniz
cc "'Devantier, Daria W. (DEQ)'", PARTAP LALL
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Subject documents in response to data request

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Mike Robinson

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BIO CHEM Ltr :Subject

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**"Redding, Connie - NRCS-CD,
Grand Rapids, MI"**
<connie.redding@mi.nacdnet.

12/05/2011 08:43 AM

To Nuria Muniz

cc

bcc

Subject Rockford Tannery Site update

Nuria,

Hello. I attended a meeting in Rockford recently concerning the demolition site of the Wolverine World Wide tannery building along the Rogue River. The Kent Conservation District has a board meeting next week and I wonder if you could give me an update on what is happening so that I can update the board. Thank you, I appreciate it.

Connie Redding

Kent Conservation District

616.942.4111x100

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"Robinson, Michael"
<MRobinson@wnj.com>
12/05/2011 11:00 AM

To "Walczak, Joe (DEQ)", Nuria Muniz
cc "Devantier, Daria W. (DEQ)", PARTAP LALL
bcc
Subject RE: documents in response to data request

It made it through to EPA but not to DEQ. I am having hard copies made which will be mailed to DEQ.

From: Walczak, Joe (DEQ) [mailto:WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov]
Sent: Monday, December 05, 2011 11:59 AM
To: Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov; Robinson, Michael
Cc: Devantier, Daria W. (DEQ); Lall.Partap@epamail.epa.gov
Subject: RE: documents in response to data request

It appears that the original e-mail from Mike did not make it through our system. It is possible that the size of the attachment was too large for our system to handle. If the attachment was more than 10 mb it will likely not make it through. If so, maybe we can download to the ESC or possibly get it through a state portal site. Please let me know how big the attachment is and I can work out a way to get it. Thanks much.

Joseph Walczak
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517-335-2151
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From: Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov [mailto:Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov]
Sent: Monday, December 05, 2011 9:09 AM
To: Robinson, Michael
Cc: Walczak, Joe (DEQ); Devantier, Daria W. (DEQ); Lall.Partap@epamail.epa.gov
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12/07/2011 03:34 PM

To Nuria Muniz
cc "O'Donnell, David (DEQ)", Dave Novak, David Brauner,
PARTAP LALL, "WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov", DENISE
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Subject RE: EPA Response to WWW workplan

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Date: 12/06/2011 01:22 PM
Subject: work plan

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PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US

12/08/2011 08:18 AM

To: Nuria Muniz

cc: WALCZAKJ

bcc:

Subject: Re: Fw: EPA Response to WWW workplan

yes , I can

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12/07/2011 04:51:05 PM

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PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US

To Nuria Muniz

cc WALCZAKJ

12/08/2011 09:28 AM

bcc

Subject RE: EPA Response to WWW workplan

I am hoping we will be done by 11.30 because I too have some other things to attend to. Do you think it will be longer than half hour (or is it 11.30 CST which will make it one and a half hour)?

Nuria Muniz

Joe, PC : I have another meeting at 1...

12/08/2011 09:45:40 AM

From: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US
To: PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Cc: WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov
Date: 12/08/2011 09:45 AM
Subject: RE: EPA Response to WWW workplan

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I am planning to start off the call -- then step out
will that be ok... i dont want to stop process.

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Sent: Wednesday, December 07, 2011 11:55 AM

To: Robinson, Michael

Cc: O'Donnell, David (DEQ); Novak.Dave@epamail.epa.gov; Brauner.David@epamail.epa.gov;

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Date: 12/06/2011 01:22 PM
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PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US

To: Nuria Muniz

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12/08/2011 09:53 AM

bcc

Subject: Re: Fw: EPA Response to WWW workplan

Is there a number to call?

Nuria Muniz

Joe and PC: I have a call at 10 Central...

12/07/2011 04:51:05 PM

From: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US
To: WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov, PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 12/07/2011 04:51 PM
Subject: Fw: EPA Response to WWW workplan

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Date: 12/07/2011 03:34 PM
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PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US

To Nuria Muniz

cc

12/08/2011 10:09 AM

bcc

Subject Re: WWW /EPA call postponed

I will not be available tomorrow as I am taking the day off to take care of some stuff

Nuria Muniz

Hi Mike: Ok- Let us know -

12/08/2011 11:04:25 AM

From: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US
To: "Robinson, Michael" <MRobinson@wnj.com>
Cc: PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov
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12/08/2011 09:56:37 AM

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"Robinson, Michael"
<MRobinson@wnj.com>
12/08/2011 10:10 AM

To: Nuria Muniz
cc: PARTAP LALL, "WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov"
bcc:
Subject: RE: WWW /EPA call postponed

Yes, early tomorrow would work for me. I will let you know.

From: Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov [mailto:Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, December 08, 2011 11:04 AM
To: Robinson, Michael
Cc: Lall.Partap@epamail.epa.gov; WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov
Subject: WWW /EPA call postponed

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"Robinson, Michael"
<MRobinson@wnj.com>

12/13/2011 07:48 AM

To Nuria Muniz

cc "Monet, David (DEQ)", "O'Donnell, David (DEQ)" ,
PARTAP LALL, "Pawloski, John (DEQ)" ,
"WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov"

bcc

Subject RE: work outline for sampling in December 2011

Nuria, we have reviewed the Westshore letter and data. That letter and data have significant shortcomings and some errors and do not support any revision to our work scope. Also, much of that data is consistent with background conditions in a river system and DEQ's 2005 statewide background survey (which is not reflected in DEQ's broader and more generic Part 201 background values in the DEQ cleanup criteria tables). The data in the Westshore letter, if it is taken at face value (which one should not do), does raise a couple of questions which should be answered by the results we will obtain with our existing work scope. If you would like to discuss the details of this, please let me know. Also, Mark will need PC's phone number to contact him so that he can be onsite when the work is performed if he wants to do that. Please email that to Mark. Work starts tomorrow. Mike

From: Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov [mailto:Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, December 13, 2011 8:01 AM

To: Robinson, Michael

Cc: Monet, David (DEQ); O'Donnell, David (DEQ); Lall.Partap@epamail.epa.gov; Pawloski, John (DEQ); WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov

Subject: Re: work outline for sampling in December 2011

Mike:

Got it...

PC will call Mark Westra to coordinate a mutually convenient time. Can you please make sure that Mark knows to coordinate with PC.

Thanks

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From: "Robinson, Michael" <MRobinson@wnj.com>

To: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, "WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov" <WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov>, PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, "O'Donnell, David (DEQ)" <ODONNELLD@michigan.gov>, "Pawloski, John (DEQ)" <PAWLOSKI1@michigan.gov>, "Monet, David (DEQ)" <MONETD@michigan.gov>

Date: 12/12/2011 12:40 PM

Subject: work outline for sampling in December 2011

All, please find attached our scope of work for the sampling that we will begin later this week. The format follows EPA's original suggestion for site investigation work. We expect to have data by the end of the second week of January to provide to you. We also received from Nuria a short while ago today the CCRR report prepared by Westshore Consulting for certain metal analyses. We will review that data and may or may not add to our scope based on our review.

Mike[attachment "6268556_2 BLR WWW_Tannery EPA Suggested Analyses_rev_12-9-2011.pdf" deleted by Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US] [attachment "030770_ADDINV_2_F.pdf" deleted by Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US] [attachment "030770_ADDINV_1_F.pdf" deleted by Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US]

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"Mark Westra "
<MAWestra@rosewestra.com
>

12/13/2011 07:51 AM

To Nuria Muniz, PARTAP LALL, "Monet, David (DEQ)",
PAWLOSKIJ1, "O'Donnell, David (DEQ)"
cc "Robinson, Michael", WALCZAKJ

bcc

Subject WWW - Rockford MI - December 2011 Investigation

Good Morning All:

Here is a preliminary schedule for the referenced investigation:

Preliminary earth moving (no drilling or testing – just to create level areas for the drilling rig) –
Wednesday, December 14.

Install and develop the new monitoring wells – Thursday the 15th and maybe into Friday the 16th

Soil borings around the pit and remainder of the tannery area – Friday the 16th

Soil borings in wastewater treatment area – Monday the 19th

Surface and subsurface soil samples along the shoreline will be used as “filler” among these tasks
Install the river piezometers and select background/upgradient sediment samples – sometime this
week.

Sediment and pore water sampling Tuesday/Wednesday the 20th and/or 21st

Groundwater sampling – just before or just after the New Year’s weekend depending on the actual
installation date(s) of the new wells

I’ve not scheduled the slug tests yet – my priority is to get the samples into the lab.

I let Joe know the approximate schedule last Friday so he could schedule the XRF.

Please call me if you have any questions. My direct dial is 616.855.0301.

Mark

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"Clarence C.R. Ringwalda"
<ccrrwalda@gmail.com>

12/18/2011 03:05 PM

To Nuria Muniz, "Walczak, Joe (DNRE)", PARTAP LALL, Dave
Novak
cc fifieldgeoffrey5
bcc
Subject

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From: **Lynn McIntosh** <lmairie003@gmail.com>

Date: Sun, Dec 18, 2011 at 3:48 PM

Subject: Lynn McIntosh shared an album with you.

To: ccrrwalda@gmail.com

You are invited to view Lynn McIntosh's photo album: [SOIL REMOVAL from WWW Tannery site: What we saw one year ago in mid-December](#)



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Dec 18, 2011

by Lynn McIntosh

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Message from Lynn McIntosh:

Here is the album you requested.

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"Clarence C.R. Ringwalda"
<ccrrwalda@gmail.com>

12/19/2011 07:20 AM

To Nuria Muniz, "Walczak, Joe (DNRE)", PARTAP LALL, Dave Novak

cc "sara.simmonds", rhoad

bcc

Subject Fwd: Lynn McIntosh shared an album with you.

Dear All,

We are sending one last web album before the close of 2011 because it documents what may have been the process, almost exactly one year ago, of when demo workers and others were removing/testing\ characterizing\ making decisions regarding the Pit area of the tannery and other areas near Rum Creek. As citizens we do not quite understand what is happening here, but since we have these photos we thought we would pass them on to you. One pivotal questions comes to our minds: On what date were the soils near the Pit and near the aeration tank of the WWTP discovered? On what date were they removed? Last December? Early spring? Late spring? Was the city of Rockford notified of this soil removal as was the planned procedure?

Thank you again for all of your time and efforts in addressing our concerns as outlined in the original Assessment Petition. We wish you a Merry Christmas and a wonderful time with family and friends over the holidays. Lynn forCCRR

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From: Lynn McIntosh <lmarie003@gmail.com>

Date: Mon, 19 Dec 2011 13:08:55 +0000

Subject: Lynn McIntosh shared an album with you.

To: ccrrwalda@gmail.com

Here is the album that you requested.

<https://picasaweb.google.com/lh/sredir?uname=103099313261360041253&target=ALBUM&id=5687563494297631969&authkey=Gv1sRgCLvnjJWCoc6BNg&feat=email>

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"Robinson, Michael"
<MRobinson@wnj.com>
12/19/2011 02:38 PM

To Nuria Muniz, "WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov", "O'Donnell,
David (DEQ)" , "Pawloski, John (DEQ)", "Monet, David
(DEQ)"

cc

bcc

Subject Wolverine World Wide comments on Westshore Consulting
Report

All, please see our letter regarding the Westshore Consulting report
commissioned by CCRR.



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PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US

To Nuria Muniz

12/23/2011 02:09 PM

cc

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Subject Fw: Woloverine Tannery Summary

FYI

----- Forwarded by PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US on 12/23/2011 03:09 PM -----

From: "Kidder, Steven" <Steven.Kidder@WestonSolutions.com>
To: PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Cc: "Kozel (Ash), Lori" <Lori.Kozel@WestonSolutions.com>
Date: 12/22/2011 03:27 PM
Subject: Woloverine Tannery Summary

Attached are the Chain of Custody from the samples and the logbook.

12/15/11

- Installed and developed monitoring wells MW-4 and MW-5

12/16/11

- Soil samples/Geoprobe locations – Rose & Westra collected samples at S-1, S-3, S-4, S-5, S-6, S-7, and S-8. START split all samples with the exception of S-6 due to lack of volume. MDEQ-Joe used the XRF on all soil locations. Sample location S-2 and S-9 are being reassessed because of concrete.

12/19/11

- All test pits/geoprobe sample locations were filled back in and graded with a skidsteer. Used mini-excavator to dig around S-9 location (Final Clarifier). At 5 ft bgs hit concrete and after further excavation the extents of the clarifier were determined. START dropped off soil samples to TriMatrix in Grand Rapids.

12/20/11

- Rose&Westra installed 4 River Piezometers. The piezometers had 3 ft screens that were pushed to approximately 2 ft below the river bottom surface. Soil samples were collected (surface and 2 ft) at S-10, S-11, S-12, and S-13. All samples were split by START.

12/21/11

- Soil sample S-14 (upstream background) was collected and split. All sediment samples (SED-2, SED-3, SED-4, SED-5, SED-6, SED-7, and SED-8) were collected- surface and 1ft. All soil, sediment, and piezometer locations were GPS by MDEQ – Joe.

12/22/11

- Rose&Westra surveyed the top of casings for the river piezometers and monitoring wells on Site. They also collected a round of water levels from the piezometers and monitoring wells. START dropped off soil and sediment samples to

TriMatrix in Grand Rapids.

Steven Kidder
Weston Solutions
2501 Jolly Rd.
Okemos, MI 48864

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PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US

01/23/2012 10:42 AM

To "MAWestra@rosewestra.com"

cc Nuria Muniz

bcc

Subject WWW assessment followup

Please advise when we will receive the data and other information generated during the investigation .
Thank you

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"Mark Westra "
<MAWestra@rosewestra.com
>

01/23/2012 12:54 PM

To PARTAP LALL
cc Nuria Muniz
bcc
Subject RE: WWW assessment followup

Good Afternoon PC:

We committed to Joe Walczak to have all our data, boring logs, etc. summarized with a cover letter on or before February 3.

When do you expect the Weston laboratory data? It would be helpful if we could have that to compare the split samples in time for our cover letter. Please advise.

Mark

From: PARTAP LALL [mailto:Lall.Partap@epamail.epa.gov]
Sent: Monday, January 23, 2012 11:42 AM
To: Mark Westra
Cc: Nuria Muniz
Subject: WWW assessment followup

Please advise when we will receive the data and other information generated during the investigation. Thank you

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PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US

01/23/2012 01:59 PM

To "Mark Westra"

cc Nuria Muniz

bcc

Subject RE: WWW assessment followup

We will certainly provide you with the split samples data when it becomes available . Thanks

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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

01/24/2012 02:58 PM

To

cc

bcc

Subject Wolverine Data Review

Meeting

Date 01/30/2012

Time 01:00:00 PM to 02:00:00 PM

Chair Nuria Muniz

Invitees

Required PARTAP LALL; WALCZAKJ

Optional

FYI

Location

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"Clarence C.R. Ringwalda"
<ccrwalda@gmail.com>

01/25/2012 07:59 AM

To "Walczak, Joe (DNRE)", Nuria Muniz

cc PARTAP LALL, Dave Novak, jansark

bcc

Subject New Tannery Worker Interview: Chester

Dear All,

Here is the interview to which I referred in the two photos just recently sent to you. We are available for any questions. Thank you. CCRR



WWW Site InvestigationNew Tannery Worker InterviewChesterChester.rtf

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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

01/25/2012 09:26 AM

To PARTAP LALL

cc

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Subject wolverine

PC: Joe is not in the office today or tomorrow.

Do you want to reschedule for Friday or Monday?

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PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US

To Nuria Muniz

cc

01/25/2012 01:48 PM

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Subject Re: wolverine

I am not sure about Friday , so let us do it on Monday

Nuria Muniz

PC: Joe is not in the office today or to...

01/25/2012 09:26:26 AM

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Dave Novak /R5/USEPA/US

01/26/2012 01:43 PM

To Nuria Muniz

cc PARTAP LALL, WALCZAKJ

bcc

Subject Re: request for a meeting: WWW Fw: Holding a Public Meeting on the EPA WWW Site Assessment

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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

01/26/2012 02:41 PM

To Dave Novak, PARTAP LALL, WALCZAKJ

cc

bcc

Subject monday 10:30 Eastern?

PC and Dave:

I will be at home on Monday - so I will get a conf. number.

10: 30 eastern / 9:30 Central - is that good for you guys?

PC I will reschedule the data review with Joe at 1 pm - it seems I double booked my calendar

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Dave Novak

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01/26/2012 01:43:36 PM

From: Dave Novak/R5/USEPA/US
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Cc: PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov
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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

01/27/2012 06:02 AM

To Dave Novak, PARTAP LALL

cc DENISE BOONE

bcc

Subject Fw: Letter of Support for EPA Region 5 Wolverine World
Wide, Inc. Rockford, MI Site Assessment

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(See attached file: WMEAC CCRR EPA letter of support.doc.pdf)

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January 25, 2012

Mr. Richard C. Karl, Director of Superfund Division

U.S. EPA Region 5

Ralph Metcalfe Federal Building

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Chicago, Ill 60604

Dear Mr. Karl:

On behalf of the West Michigan Environmental Action Council (WMEAC), I am writing to thank you for accepting the June 21, 2011 Preliminary Assessment Petition regarding Wolverine World Wide, Inc.'s Rockford Tannery submitted by the Concerned Citizens for Responsible

Re-development (CCRR) Group and to express WMEAC's satisfaction that a robust site assessment is being performed with the increasing cooperation of WWW.

WMEAC is a non-profit, 501C3 organization working to protect and enhance West Michigan's natural and human environments by translating the concerns of people into positive action. WMEAC has been delivering environmental education and advocacy to the West Michigan community for over 40 years

WMEAC would like to commend WWW for responding to concerns about the impacted site, and for its cooperation with the EPA site assessment. Specifically, WWW's decision to test the site with split samples. Its decision to share historical data is also a positive development

The basis of WMEAC's support for EPA and Wolverine action at the tanner site is as follows:

1. Recreation and Public Health: Wolverine World Wide, Inc.'s (WWW) former Rockford tannery site is located in downtown Rockford, MI, on the banks of the Rogue River and Rum Creek. The area is a busy recreation site with the White Pine Bike Trail borders the west side of the site alongside the Rogue River. In addition many people access the Rogue north of the Rockford dam for water recreation, adjacent to the former tannery site. There is constant interaction between people and the river and trail. People have been biking or walking on the trail, canoeing, kayaking or fishing in the Rogue River throughout the demolition process, being exposed to the demolition dust and storm water runoff from the site. Moreover, the potential exists for the off-site migration of contamination at the site via surface water runoff and ground water discharge to the Rogue River. Since WWW has chosen to cap the site with sandy soils, there is the potential for continued exposure through ground water venting to the many recreational users of the Rogue River.
2. Comprehensive Scientific Testing Methodology: WMEAC is heartened that EPA and WWW are now moving forward with more robust and scientifically sound **split-sample** site tests. Previous testing performed by multiple parties at the site was limited in scope and application, and was of questionable scientific methodology. WMEAC has concerns about identified 'hot spots', including stream banks, and a filled "pit" that may have been leaching or interacting with groundwater.
3. Citizen reports indicate that the now accomplished site demolition had woefully inadequate environmental controls reflecting the view expressed by WWW attorneys of 'no known contamination on site.' For example, stained concrete (blue, green, yellow and red stains) from buildings integral to the tannery processes do not appear to have been tested during demolition or removal. All of the exterior demolition material appears to have been taken to a recycle or dumping site. Are contaminated materials being recycled? Have they been disposed of in appropriate landfill sites?

4. Third Party Sampling - Westshore Consulting was engaged by CCRR to perform limited sampling around the WWW tannery site; these reports indicate exceedances. Specifically, the Westshore report stated the following: 1) Arsenic in the pump house and bike path-cove samples exceeded the Drinking Protection, Groundwater-Surface Water Interface Protection, and Direct Contact Criteria; 2) Total Chromium exceedances were reported in all samples: with the Drinking Water Protection, Groundwater-Surface Water Interface Protection, and Particulate Soil Inhalation Criteria variously exceeded; and 3) Selenium exceeded its Groundwater-Surface Water Interface Protection Criteria in the Pump House and Bike Path-Cove samples.
5. Qualitative Reports from Former WWW Employees - Records have been shared with WMEAC indicating interviews of previous employees cite many spills and improper practices including those related to clean up that exposed both site and ground water to the tannery processing chemicals.
6. Trends from Tannery Demolitions in the US - A significant number of tannery sites across the U.S. and in other countries are contaminated, and public health risks related to tannery processing chemicals is potentially high.
7. Historical Data on the WWW Site - In a 1994 Environmental Site Assessment several problems were listed such as improper storage practices, stained soil, elevated levels of lead with one sample showing a concentration of 1400 ppm.

WMEAC values WWW as a critical and respected business in our community, employing hundreds of people with living wages. WWW has been an important corporate donor to many local water quality initiatives and is a long-time friend of the Rogue River Watershed and the northern Kent County community as a whole. Finally, WWW works to deliver products heavily branded as environmentally responsible and targeted at outdoor enthusiasts. WMEAC and our partners are hopeful to work carefully and respectfully through a cooperative process to responsibly redevelop the tannery site and continue to protect and restore the Rogue River Watershed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Rachel Hood". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Rachel Hood, Executive Director

West Michigan Environmental Action Council

cc:

Joe Walczak, State of Michigan, DEQ

Nuria Muniz, EPA

Janice Thompkins, Concerned Citizen

Andy Bowman, Grand Valley Metro Council

Connie Redding, Kent County Conservation District

Lynn McIntosh, Concerned Citizens for Responsible Redevelopment



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To David Brauner

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Not sure I had sent you these

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Date: 01/20/2012 02:37 PM
Subject: WWW GPS and XRF data

Good afternoon everyone,

Attached to this note are documents generated from the latest sampling work conducted on the WWW Tannery site. There are .pdf copies of sample location maps, a spreadsheet of the sample coordinates (giving the easting and northing coordinates in the Michigan GeoRef NAD83 coordinate system), and a spreadsheet of the XRF data collected from the soil borings and from surficial locations along the White Pine Trail. For a quick visual reference, the XRF table shows Direct Contact and GSI Protection Criteria exceedances. If you have any questions regarding this information, please contact me. Thank you.

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Tom, thank you very much for the explanation. Our concern was based on the fact that EPA was making inquiries in the community about setting up a public meeting without discussing any of that with us. While EPA is, by no means, required to contact us about such activities, we were of the impression that, regardless of what unfolds on the merits of this matter, Wolverine World Wide and EPA had established a good, cooperative working relationship, which included open communications. So we were very much surprised to hear of the EPA actions regarding the public meeting through channels other than from the EPA. Wolverine wishes to continue the good, cooperative working relationship with EPA, so I am pleased to receive your email. Thanks for your contact information. I will communicate with you in the future.

Mike

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To Nuria Muniz, Tom Williams, PARTAP LALL, WALCZAKJ,
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Subject Michigan open meetings info, Wolverine meeting Info, etc.

According to Michael Young, Rockford, MI city manager, we can meet with the mayor, mayor pro tem and city manager legally without activating the open meeting law requirement. This kicks in when there are three council members present and the city quorum reaches five. So we are safe in meeting with the city folks prior to our public meeting.

About the public meeting. We have the Rockford (High School) Freshman Center, 4500 Kroes Street, Rockford, MI 49341 for the evening of Tuesday, April 17 from 5:00 PM. on; meeting to begin at 6:30 and end at 9. I am confirming this with Valerie of the school district Thursday morning. This facility has the capacity of up to 300, and I understand Wolverine had nearly 200 at their meeting.

As for the meeting with the mayor, mayor pro tem and the city manager, it is just common courtesy to brief them up front, introduce ourselves and establish a relationship of mutual trust with them. Since the mayor has a full time job as a teacher, he is not available but in the evening. Our meeting with him is for the evening of Monday, April 16 at a place to be determined.

A notice/ad for the public meeting will be placed primarily in the Rockford Squire, the city's weekly and where all official city notices go in. I can also do a notice in the Grand Rapids Press, if we all so desire. Please advise if we want to go that route. I would think it not really necessary, but for a full blown NPL site or a removal meeting I probably would include the GRP, too.

Rockford being the small community that it is, word gets around rapidly. I barely hung up the phone from inquiring about meeting places and such and we heard about it shortly thereafter all the way in Chicago. I have no doubt the meeting will be well attended, and perhaps should shoot for the full 300 chairs.

For the meeting I will prepare an agenda to include MDEQ, EPA, Wolverine. We will have accommodations for sound and projection, but we will need to bring our own laptop and powerpoint and possibly our own projector. There is a stage in the room we will be meeting in and will have a sign-in table at the door, a large table for at least 6 on the stage, or on the floor below the stage once we see what it looks like. Since we have nothing to write about, no fact sheet. We can also arrange to hold availability session or open house perhaps in the city hall council chambers for afternoon meetings one on one with residents from 2-4, if we so desire.

FYI we do not share our sign-in sheets with anyone, so we will probably need someone to assist in meeting attendance sign-in at the door.

Probably not a bad idea to have Tom Williams present at the meeting, not to present anything, however, but to be present.

The city manager, Michael Young is also interested in copies of all the inquiries, whether email or surface mail, that we have already received or will receive. He would hope that he would not have to go the FOIA route, but seemed to indicate that he would if he had to.

I back up on a newspaper interview before the meeting. I would suspect, however, media interest and possible requests for interviews the night of the meeting. Who will be the one to talk to them? I will corral and control, but prefer to coordinate unless OPA sends a representative along.

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02/07/2012 08:36 AM

To Tom Williams, WALCZAKJ, PARTAP LALL, Nuria Muniz

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Subject Wolverine meeting date change

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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

02/07/2012 11:53 AM

To Dave Novak

cc PARTAP LALL, Tom Williams, WALCZAKJ

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Subject Re: Wolverine meeting date change

I am ok with that week -

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To Dave Novak

cc Nuria Muniz, Tom Williams, WALCZAKJ

02/07/2012 12:35 PM

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02/07/2012 01:41 PM

To Nuria Muniz

cc PARTAP LALL, Tom Williams, WALCZAKJ

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Subject Re: Wolverine meeting date change

I am locking on the school for the evening of April 24th, and the meeting with the city folks for the 23rd.
Joe and PC are okay with it.

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02/08/2012 09:22 AM

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To Dave Novak

cc PARTAP LALL, Tom Williams, "Walczak Joe (DEQ)"

bcc

Subject Re: Wolverine Public Meeting and meet with city

Tom:

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To Nuria Muniz

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02/17/2012 01:11 PM

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Hi Nuria

I am not sure if Wolverine was ever informed of the change of public meeting date . Could you please check into it. Thanks

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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

02/21/2012 09:08 AM

To PARTAP LALL

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02/22/2012 11:02 AM

To PARTAP LALL, Nuria Muniz

cc "Walczak, Joe (DNRE)", gailman, jansark, mike.mcapple,
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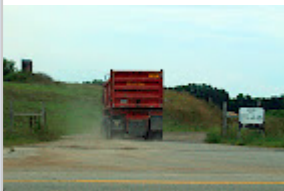
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Feb 22, 2012

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Date: Wed, Feb 22, 2012 at 12:02 PM

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To: "lall.partap" <lall.partap@epa.gov>, Nuria Muniz <Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov>

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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

02/22/2012 11:18 AM

To Dave Novak

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PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US

To Nuria Muniz

cc

02/22/2012 12:46 PM

bcc

Subject WWW

Hi Nuria

Has Wolverine submitted any of the disposal records that we had requested? Thanks

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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

02/22/2012 04:05 PM

To

cc

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Subject Wolverine - discussion of CCRR questions 2 pm Eastern / 1
pm Central

Meeting

Date 02/23/2012

Time 01:00:00 PM to 02:00:00 PM

Chair Nuria Muniz

Invitees

Required PARTAP LALL; WALCZAKJ

Optional Dave Novak; Tom Williams

FYI

Location

EPA-R5-2017-011401-157

Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

02/23/2012 05:18 PM

To Michael Bednarz

cc

bcc

Subject Help generating 104(e) letter

Hi Michael:

I am working on a former tannery site Wolverine Worldwide -
The site attorney has recommended submitting a 104(e) letter -

Can you assign someone to generate a standard 104 letter - We are working with the attorney
to have language and send it out next week.

Thanks,

Nuria

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"Clarence C.R. Ringwalda"
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02/24/2012 01:49 PM

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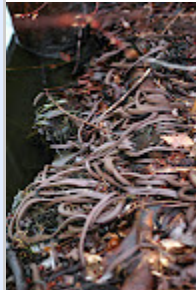
To Nuria Muniz

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PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US

To Nuria Muniz, WALCZAKJ

cc

02/24/2012 03:13 PM

bcc

Subject Fw: Clarence C.R. Ringwalda shared an album with you.

I did not see your names so I thought I will forward this.

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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

02/27/2012 09:36 AM

To PARTAP LALL

cc

bcc

Subject Wolverine

I tried all friday to add documents from my disk to the portal yesterday - but I crashed several times.
This is unusual - so I will try today - otherwise I will express mail my disk to you on Tuesday .

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"Clarence C.R. Ringwalda"
<ccrwalda@gmail.com>

02/28/2012 08:24 AM

To "Walczak, Joe (DNRE)"

cc PARTAP LALL, Nuria Muniz

bcc

Subject Information regarding Rusche Pit in Algoma Township

Hi Joe,

2/28/12

After we spoke yesterday, I looked up some information on Rusche Pit. The address is 12056 Algoma Ave.

Reading a recent newspaper article, which I have attached, it seems that there has been some controversy between residents in Algoma and the township's approval of industrial use of this gravel pit. Residents stated their concerns regarding possible hazardous dust particles being released and aspirated, the noise levels, and other health concerns.

The gravel pit, as I now remember, is surrounded by a residential area, and Mr. Rusche was violating local ordinances by crushing concrete before receiving official approval. I've pretty much summarized the short article, but here it is for your files. It could be relevant to the investigation.

P.S. If you already received this article yesterday, then I'm just sending a duplicate. The problem is, I tried sending it a different way and I received no confirmation that it made from my computer to yours. In cat years, I think my computer is about as old as our cat Butterscotch! The operator of this computer knows about as much about computers as our other cat, Jo-Jo. Not always a winning combination.



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"Clarence C.R. Ringwalda"
<ccrwalda@gmail.com>

03/01/2012 01:00 PM

To "Walczak, Joe (DNRE)", PARTAP LALL, Nuria Muniz, Lynn
McIntosh

cc

bcc

Subject Map from 1994 Assessment Barrels found near small waste
pond

Dear Joe,

I came across this photo the other day and noticed for the first time that in the 1994 ESA of the WWW site barrels were sighted on the edge of that small pond/lagoon north of the site. Thought I would send it along if it might be helpful to the investigation. Also, have any background samples been taken of the river water/soil/sediment north of Factory B and the old sole plant next to it? Lynn for CCRR

You have been sent 1 picture.

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These pictures were sent with Picasa, from Google.
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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

03/08/2012 07:57 AM

To

cc

bcc

Subject Wolverine - prep for call with Mike Robinson

Meeting

Date 03/08/2012

Time 02:30:00 PM to 03:30:00 PM

Chair Nuria Muniz

Invitees

Required PARTAP LALL; Tom Williams; WALCZAKJ

Optional Dave Novak

FYI

Location

866-299-3188

Line A 312-353-8730

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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

03/08/2012 09:44 AM

To PARTAP LALL

cc Tom Williams, Dave Novak

bcc

Subject Re: Fw: HOT Issue Request - 3 of 3 - Michigan-Lansing/GR area Deadline March 21 [Wolverine]

I am pretty sure this is "hot" - it has a community petition component but also some elected officials calling the head of DEQ about the site. Can discuss during the call.

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PARTAP LALL

I do not know exactly what criteria is us...

03/08/2012 09:39:56 AM

From: PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US
To: Tom Williams/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Cc: Dave Novak/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 03/08/2012 09:39 AM
Subject: Re: Fw: HOT Issue Request - 3 of 3 - Michigan-Lansing/GR area Deadline March 21 [Wolverine]

I do not know exactly what criteria is used in determining "hot" . May be something we can sort out in our conference call today.

Tom Williams

Do we think the WWW site is "hot" as t...

03/07/2012 03:59:22 PM

From: Tom Williams/R5/USEPA/US
To: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, Dave Novak/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 03/07/2012 03:59 PM
Subject: Fw: HOT Issue Request - 3 of 3 - Michigan-Lansing/GR area Deadline March 21 [Wolverine]

Do we think the WWW site is "hot" as the 19th floor intends that term?

----- Forwarded by Tom Williams/R5/USEPA/US on 03/07/2012 01:03 PM -----

From: Cheryl Klebenow/R5/USEPA/US
To: R5 ORC ALL ATTORNEY
Date: 03/07/2012 10:29 AM
Subject: Fw: HOT Issue Request - 3 of 3 - Michigan-Lansing/GR area Deadline March 21

Again, please send a courtesy copy to Bert Frey and myself when submitting your write-ups.

From: John Peterson/R5/USEPA/US

Subject: HOT Issue Request - 3 of 3 - Michigan-Lansing/GR area Deadline March 21

Hello One More Time,

The Regional Administrator's Office is requesting hot issues for Michigan statewide with an emphasis on the Lansing and Grand Rapids areas. ORA also wants Michigan agricultural items.

Send your backgrounders to me, John Peterson, and Anne Rowan in OPA by COB Wednesday, March 21. I will attach the last Michigan packages you did.

A triple thank you for all your hard work.

- john

JOHN PETERSON

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Dave Novak /R5/USEPA/US

03/09/2012 08:07 AM

To Nuria Muniz

cc

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Subject Accepted:Wolverine - prep for call with Mike Robinson

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Kent Conservation District
<administrator@kentconservation.org>

03/12/2012 01:01 PM

Please respond to
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To Nuria Muniz

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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

03/12/2012 02:07 PM

To Dave Novak

cc

bcc

Subject Fw: Rockford Tannery update

Dave: is it appropriate to mention the date and location for the public meeting?
I am at 574-520-1600

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----- Forwarded by Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US on 03/12/2012 02:06 PM -----

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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

03/13/2012 09:48 AM

To administrator, ccrwalda

cc Dave Novak

bcc

Subject Re: Rockford Tannery update

Hello:

A public meeting is scheduled to start at 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 24, 2012 at the Freshman Center cafeteria, 4500 Kroes St. NE - ., conclude at 9:30 p.m.

As you know, Joe and PC sampled recently around the islands of "lost soles". Joe can answer questions about that aspect on Thursday.

Dave and I can make ourselves available on Thursday for the conference call 11am-12pm Central. PC is on training this week and will not be available for that call .

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Kent Conservation District

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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

03/14/2012 04:55 PM

To DENISE BOONE

cc

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Subject Wolverine Hot Issue -

Denise:

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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

03/14/2012 04:59 PM

To DENISE BOONE

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Subject Disregard....Fw: Wolverine Hot Issue -

Denise... hold off... Tom may have time to review today...

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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

03/15/2012 10:36 AM

To DENISE BOONE

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Subject Fw: Wolverine Public Meeting and meet with city

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PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, Tom Williams/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Cc: Beverly Kush/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 02/07/2012 02:26 PM
Subject: Wolverine Public Meeting and meet with city

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The public meeting is scheduled for 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, April 24, 2012 at the Freshman Center cafeteria,
4500 Kroes St. NE - setup/meet at 5:00 p.m., conclude at 9:30 p.m.

Dave Novak

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**Megan
McSeveney/R5/USEPA/US**
03/20/2012 01:00 PM

To Nuria Muniz, PARTAP LALL
cc Jason El-Zein
bcc
Subject Wolverine Hot Issue for review - please review by COB today
- Thanks!

If you have any questions or comments please feel free to call me at 312-886-1972

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PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US

03/20/2012 01:54 PM

To Megan McSeveney

cc Nuria Muniz, Jason El-Zein

bcc

Subject Re: Wolverine Hot Issue for review - please review by COB today - Thanks!

Hi Megan

It looks good except for one suggestion I have. I am not sure if it is a good idea to use the word confidential with 104e. I also discussed it with Nuria and she agreed that we should take it out. Thanks

Megan McSeveney

[If you have any questions or comm...](#)

03/20/2012 02:00:32 PM

From: Megan McSeveney/R5/USEPA/US
To: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Cc: Jason El-Zein/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
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Background/Status: The Superfund Division Removal Program and Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ), under an EPA Site Assessment Cooperative Agreement, are evaluating the Wolverine World Wide former tannery site in Rockford, Michigan as a result of a petition submitted by local residents. The community turned to EPA when Wolverine was unresponsive to their requests for information regarding pollutants leaching into surface waters and disposal of wastes during the demolition of the facility, a 100-year old tannery. The 15-acre site sits along the banks of the Rogue River and Rum Creek. Rockford's City Council has expressed support for Wolverine and is concerned that EPA's actions may adversely impact future development at the site. EPA collaborated with Wolverine in sampling the site and surrounding sediments. EPA is planning to issue a confidential 104(e) information request letter in spring of 2012 to obtain information regarding the facility's processes, waste characterization, and waste disposal.

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Contact: Nuria Muñiz, R5 SFD, 312-886-4439, muniz.nuria@epa.gov

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**Megan
McSeveney/R5/USEPA/US**
03/20/2012 02:00 PM

To PARTAP LALL
cc Nuria Muniz, Jason El-Zein
bcc
Subject Re: Wolverine Hot Issue for review - please review by COB today - Thanks!

Great I will take that out and consider it approved from your end PC.

Thank,
Megan

PARTAP LALL [Hi Megan It looks good except for one...](#) 03/20/2012 01:54:16 PM

From: PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US
To: Megan McSeveney/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Cc: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, Jason El-Zein/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 03/20/2012 01:54 PM
Subject: Re: Wolverine Hot Issue for review - please review by COB today - Thanks!

Hi Megan

It looks good except for one suggestion I have. I am not sure if it is a good idea to use the word confidential with 104e. I also discussed it with Nuria and she agreed that we should take it out. Thanks

Megan McSeveney [If you have any questions or comm...](#) 03/20/2012 02:00:32 PM

From: Megan McSeveney/R5/USEPA/US
To: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
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"Clarence C.R. Ringwalda"
<ccrwalda@gmail.com>

03/21/2012 04:34 PM

To ajbirkbeck, Mike McIntosh, gailman, Andrew Shear, jansark, Kristi Arbogast, Nuria Muniz, PARTAP LALL, "Walczak, Joe (DNRE)", Lynn McIntosh, redisker, Nicholas occhipinti, rhoad, Cyndi Roper

cc

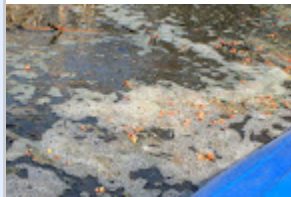
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Subject Important Album: Surface Water Concerns/ Rogue River

These photos were taken on the first day of spring, March 20, 2012. They are compared to similar photos taken almost exactly one year ago on March 21, 2011. The surface water patterns observed have been consistent throughout the past two years of observation.

We present them in the hopes of urging more study and scrutiny as to how the Rogue River and its watershed may be negatively impacted due to its proximity to the recently demolished WWW Tannery Site and its proximity to Factory B and the Old Sole plant to the north of this site. Both properties are currently owned by WWW.

You are invited to view Keepers oftheRogue's photo album: [Surface Water Observations, via kayak, of COVE, RUM CREEK, and ISLANDS OF CATTAILS N. OF TANNERY](#)



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Mar 20, 2012

by **Keepers oftheRogue**

The following set of photos documents an on-going concern regarding the degradation of hides and waste materials in the Rogue River that could be affecting its health and vitality. Hides have been observed in multiple locations along the Rogue River banks the Rum Creek banks, behind a waste lagoon, and in the cattail islands north of the tannery site and west of Factory B/ Old Sole plant along Wolverine St. One major concern is the possible effect of ammonia in these areas.

[View Album](#)

[Play slideshow](#)

Message from Keepers oftheRogue:

Here are the photos that you requested.

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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

03/29/2012 07:47 AM

To PARTAP LALL, Tom Williams

cc

bcc

Subject call this afternoon?

Tom and PC:

So it seems appropriate to give WWW an extension only on the historical disposal and other historical information - but insist on getting the more recent demolition information as requested by PC within the 21 days.

I have dentist appointment at 11 and a call 1:30 - 2:00 (all Eastern time)

Can we do a 3 pm Eastern / 2 pm Central call to touch base? I can set up the call.

Nura

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PARTAP LALL

The samples were sent to the State lab...

03/29/2012 07:41:26 AM

From: PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US
To: Tom Williams/R5/USEPA/US
Cc: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US
Date: 03/29/2012 07:41 AM
Subject: Re: Fw: Keepers oftheRogue shared an album with you .

The samples were sent to the State lab by Joe . State is using an EPA grant from the removal program. Joe told me that I should expect the data before the end of this week. I will keep both of you posted.

I also want to say that the disposal records and anything related to demolition should be available right away. It is just a matter of making copies. And 21 days is more than reasonable time for WWW to do that. It does not take any digging or research. It is already stored in their records. That data would be very useful for us , because even though we have gathered some data from off- site (river banks and sediment) we do not have any information regarding the sources (on site data). Information from de-commissioning/ demolition would give us data to tell the audience what may be future course of action . Thank you.

Tom Williams

Nuria, Sorry I missed you but maybe w...

03/28/2012 06:35:44 PM

From: Tom Williams/R5/USEPA/US
To: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 03/28/2012 06:35 PM
Subject: Re: Fw: Keepers oftheRogue shared an album with you .

Nuria, Sorry I missed you but maybe we can talk tomorrow after 11:30 a.m.

I told Mike we needed the response as soon as possible so that the public meeting would be worthwhile (actually, I'm more concerned about having a course of action mapped out before we meet with the local government) - so I asked that we get as much of the information as possible within the 21 days, and I said I'd relay the request to you and PC,, since he was asking for an additional 30 days.

In principle I'm willing to allow the additional time but I'd first like to get an idea of what they can get us within the current due date (surely the most recent sampling results they have should be easy to retrieve and assemble, for example).

PC, he also asked when we expected to get the analytical results of the sampling you took earlier this month. Tom

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Nuria Muniz [Ok - I am in today until 5 and sorry I w...](#) 03/28/2012 03:59:49 PM

From: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US
To: Tom Williams/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 03/28/2012 03:59 PM
Subject: Re: Fw: Keepers oftheRogue shared an album with you .

Ok - I am in today until 5
and sorry I was not clear... do you want a print out of the album or do you want to be included in their mailing list - or both?

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Tom Williams [If by "both" you mean did I talk to Mike...](#) 03/28/2012 03:56:22 PM

From: Tom Williams/R5/USEPA/US
To: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 03/28/2012 03:56 PM
Subject: Re: Fw: Keepers oftheRogue shared an album with you .

If by "both" you mean did I talk to Mike Robinson also, then yes. They want an extension of time to answer the 104(e) so we should discuss. I will call you; I got your voice mail message.

The citizens need to understand that information gathered through trespassing or other unlawful activity isn't useful to us.

Nuria Muniz

yes to both?

03/27/2012 06:20:50 PM

From: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US
To: Tom Williams/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 03/27/2012 06:20 PM
Subject: Re: Fw: Keepers oftheRogue shared an album with you .

yes to both?

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Tom Williams

Yes, please. Thanks, Tom 6-0814 Fro...

03/27/2012 05:54:18 PM

From: Tom Williams/R5/USEPA/US
To: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 03/27/2012 05:54 PM
Subject: Re: Fw: Keepers oftheRogue shared an album with you .

Yes, please. Thanks, Tom 6-0814

Nuria Muniz

Hi Tom: Yes - I can see the albums... s...

03/27/2012 07:52:57 AM

From: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US
To: Tom Williams/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 03/27/2012 07:52 AM
Subject: Re: Fw: Keepers oftheRogue shared an album with you .

Hi Tom:

Yes - I can see the albums... should I ask CCRR to include you in their mailing list ?
or would you rather I print them out for you?

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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

03/29/2012 12:02 PM

To PARTAP LALL

cc Tom Williams

bcc

Subject Re: call this afternoon?

no problem with me... I will call Tom at 2:30 Central

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PARTAP LALL

Sorry, can we change it to 2.30? I just r...

03/29/2012 11:07:32 AM

From: PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US
To: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Cc: Tom Williams/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 03/29/2012 11:07 AM
Subject: Re: call this afternoon?

Sorry, can we change it to 2.30? I just remembered Chris Christenson's retirement celebration is at 2 PM central and we are participating via video link.
Please let me know

Nuria Muniz

Tom and PC: I am having difficulty setti...

03/29/2012 10:34:07 AM

From: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US
To: Tom Williams/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Cc: PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 03/29/2012 10:34 AM
Subject: Re: call this afternoon?

Tom and PC:

I am having difficulty setting up a conference call from my AWL.. (not sure why)
I will call Tom 2 pm Central and Tom can connect PC..

PC: are you available?

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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

04/02/2012 11:23 AM

To PARTAP LALL

cc

bcc

Subject Re: WWW Logistics Conference Call -Your Availability

And 9th and 10th of next week.

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"Robinson, Michael"
<MRobinson@wnj.com>

04/03/2012 12:26 PM

To Tom Williams

cc

bcc

Subject 104(e) response

Tom, here is what I suggest for the breakdown for the two submission dates for Wolverine World Wide's response to the 104(e) request that we received on March 23, 2012:

1) For submission within the original 21 day period after receipt on March 23 (April 13): items 3) a), c), e), and f), and item 8.

2) For submission within 40 days after the original 21 day period (May 23): items 3) b) and d), and items 4, 5, 6, and 7.

When you and I talked on the phone, you had suggested 30 days for the second grouping and I indicated that I thought that should be ok. I have since checked my calendar and I am out of State from May 4-13, so I am now suggesting that we use May 23 as the date for the second grouping. That second grouping will also be a significant task to accomplish. If this is acceptable to EPA, you can just send me a confirming email.

Thanks for your cooperation on this, Mike

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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

04/03/2012 03:33 PM

To

cc

bcc

Subject WWW Meeting Logistics

Meeting

Date 04/09/2012

Time 10:30:00 AM to 11:30:00 AM

Chair Nuria Muniz

Invitees

Required Dave Novak; David Brauner; PARTAP LALL; Tom Williams; WALCZAKJ

Optional DENISE BOONE

FYI

Location Room 706

Room 706

866-299-3188

Line A 312-353-8730

EPA-R5-2017-011401-181

Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

04/16/2012 08:19 AM

To GLADYS WATTS

cc PARTAP LALL

bcc

Subject Re: Fw: Wolverine World Wide Site C593 Status Update:
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Thanks - will be in tomorrow... more importantly I need to figure out how to mail the information.

What is the fastest way to get the information to PC in Gross Ile and also to my counterpart in DEQ ?
if copies need to be made perhaps we can ask a student aide to help ?

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Gladys Watts

Hi Nuria! At your convenience, please...

04/13/2012 02:52:45 PM

From: Gladys Watts/R5/USEPA/US
To: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 04/13/2012 02:52 PM
Subject: Fw: Wolverine World Wide Site C593 Status Update: 04/13/12 - PRP Response
Sent by: GLADYS WATTS

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To: GLADYS WATTS/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Cc: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 04/13/2012 02:31 PM
Subject: Wolverine World Wide Site C593 Status Update: 04/13/12 - PRP Response



Hi Gladys,

Here a copy of the response for Wolverine World Wide Site C593. Please attach your other information

and send it to Nuria, when you get a chance.

Mike

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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

04/16/2012 08:27 AM

To GLADYS WATTS

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bcc

Subject Fw: Wolverine World Wide Site C593 Status Update:
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Date: 04/16/2012 08:23 AM
Subject: Re: Fw: Wolverine World Wide Site C593 Status Update: 04/13/12 - PRP Response

Yes, please. Tom 6-0814

Nuria Muniz	Tom: We are receiving information alre...	04/16/2012 08:20:58 AM
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From: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US
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Cc: PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 04/16/2012 08:20 AM
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Tom:

We are receiving information already - I am working to mail the info to PC and Joe.
Do you need copies of the response?

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Mike

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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

04/16/2012 03:42 PM

To GLADYS WATTS

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Subject Re: Fw: Wolverine World Wide Site C593 Status Update:
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Thank you!!!!
I will come by tomorrow.

Nuria

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Gladys Watts

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Date: 04/16/2012 01:41 PM
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Sent by: GLADYS WATTS

Forward copies of the documents I sent to you on Friday to Tom. I have two copies (one for you and one for the attorney) waiting for you to pick up. I am at my desk at the present time. Thanks and please let me know if I can further assist you w with this site.

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Mike

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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

04/17/2012 07:40 AM

To GLADYS WATTS

cc Nuria Muniz, PARTAP LALL

bcc

Subject Re: Fw: Wolverine World Wide Site C593 Status Update:
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Gladys - Hi

I got the DVD's from wolverine at my desk but I I cannot open the disks in my computer .

Are there any paper documents and did you make these disks?
or was this the deliverable from Wolverine? Is so, where you able to open the DVDs to see the files?

I tried a different (same model) and it did not open either... so at this point I am not sure if it is the DVD or my computer.

can you let me know.

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Gladys Watts

I decided to take the DVDs and place t...

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Date: 04/16/2012 04:04 PM
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Sent by: GLADYS WATTS

I decided to take the DVDs and place them in your chair. Hope I haven't confused you too much. I will be back in the office on Thursday, 04/17/2012.

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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

04/18/2012 10:21 AM

To PARTAP LALL

cc

bcc

Subject Re: Fw: Wolverine World Wide Site C593 Status Update:
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Denise and I are staying at the Hampton

Dave prefers the Holiday Inn.

not sure about Tom

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PARTAP LALL

Is everybody staying at the same hotel...

04/18/2012 10:19:18 AM

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To: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 04/18/2012 10:19 AM
Subject: Re: Fw: Wolverine World Wide Site C593 Status Update: 04/13/12 - PRP Response

Is everybody staying at the same hotel?
is it Hampton in Grand Rapids, thanks

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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

04/18/2012 10:29 AM

To Brian Cooper

cc PARTAP LALL, DENISE BOONE

bcc

Subject Research Associate - assistance for indexing data

Hi Brian:

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04/18/2012 11:15 AM

To PARTAP LALL

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bcc

Subject Re: Research Associate - assistance for indexing data

yep - first need to find out if this preliminary proposed work is acceptable for Research associates ...

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PARTAP LALL

Also we expect more information comin...

04/18/2012 11:07:54 AM

From: PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US
To: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 04/18/2012 11:07 AM
Subject: Re: Research Associate - assistance for indexing data

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Nuria Muniz

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04/18/2012 10:28:52 AM

From: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US
To: Brian Cooper/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
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04/19/2012 10:39 AM

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Subject Re: WWW presentation.

10-15 mins

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04/19/2012 01:06 PM

To PARTAP LALL

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Subject left message with Tom

will forward call information as soon as I hear .

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Brian Cooper/R5/USEPA/US

To Nuria Muniz

04/19/2012 02:45 PM

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Subject Re: Research Associate - assistance for indexing data

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04/20/2012 09:33 AM

To Brian Cooper

cc PARTAP LALL

bcc

Subject Re: Research Associate - assistance for indexing data

Brian:

Thanks - We are flexible - some time in Spring -
and no sooner than the end of next week.

We have a lot of documents and we expect some more in May.
Let me know if you need more detail

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Brian Cooper/R5/USEPA/US wrote on 04/19/2012 02:45:54 PM:

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To Joan Tanaka, THOMAS SHORT

cc Dave Novak, DENISE BOONE

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Subject Wolverine World Wide

Joan: Weekly report for WWW meeting.

Hot Issues

Wolverine World Wide Former Tannery Community Meeting

Nuria Muñiz, Denise Boone, Tom Williams, Partap Lall all EPA and Joe Walczak MDEQ traveled to Rockford, MI Monday and Tuesday, April 23 and 24 for informational meetings. The group met with Rockford city manager and two city councilmen on Monday evening and held a public meeting on Tuesday for the Wolverine Worldwide Tannery pre-screening process.

One hundred and eight people attended the meeting to listen to status reports on the testing and evaluations done at the site of the former tannery facility on Main Street near downtown Rockford. The meeting lasted just past two hours and twenty minutes. Following presentations by Nuria Muñiz, Partap Lall and Joe Walczak MDEQ, the resident were afforded an opportunity to ask questions. The city manager, the mayor and council members, along with the school superintendent and area businessmen also attended and gave their views on EPA involvement and the entire process.

Press Interest Detail:

Stations carrying stories are found at:

http://www.woodtv.com/dpp/news/local/kent_county/epa-talks-tannery-site-with-residents

<http://www.fox17online.com/news/fox17-rockford-tannery-epa-reveals-test-results-from-rockford-tannery-20120424,0,7879764.story>

<http://search.wzzm13.com/default.aspx?ct=r&q=epa>, wolverine

http://www.mlive.com/news/grand-rapids/index.ssf/2012/04/epa_concerning_contamination_f.html

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DENISE
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04/30/2012 08:58 AM

To Erica Aultz, Patrick Hamblin, Nuria Muniz, David Brauner
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Subject Weekly Report 4-27-12

Wolverine World Wide Former Tannery Community Meeting Held, Rockford, Michigan

Press Interest/Coverage: Local coverage by Fox 17 News, WZZM 13, and MLive

On April 24, 2012 EPA and the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality hosted an informational meeting about the Wolverine Worldwide Tannery Site in Rockford, Michigan. The site is a former tannery facility near downtown Rockford which is currently being evaluated under the Superfund pre-remedial program. Agency representatives presented sampling data results and provided information about the remedial site assessment process to the local community. Over 100 people attended including the city manager, mayor, council members, school superintendent, and area businessmen. Citizens expressed their concerns about hazards at the site and the lack of defined future cleanup actions. The site preliminary assessment is scheduled for completion this summer. Once it has been completed, EPA will determine if further investigation is merited for possible inclusion of the site on the Superfund National Priorities List.

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Press Interest Detail:



EPA Reveals Test Results From Rockford Tannery
By Dave Spencer April 24, 2012 Fox 17 News

<http://www.fox17online.com/news/fox17-rockford-tannery-epa-reveals-test-results-from-rockford-tannery-20120424,0,7879764.story>

ROCKFORD, Mich.— The Environmental Protection Agency has found levels of arsenic, mercury, lead and other chemicals in soil at the old Wolverine Tannery in Rockford, but they are not sure if the amount of the contaminants is anything to be concerned about just yet.

More than a 100 people filled an auditorium in Rockford curious to hear what the EPA had found.

The factory, closed in 2009, was leveled a year ago. But the chemicals used to make the shoes at the factory prompted some concerned citizens to write the EPA asking for an inspection.

Since the request was received 10 months ago, some 24 samples have been analyzed.

"I don't think there is any emergency here," said the EPA's Nuria Muniz. "I think people should be patient with our results." A decision is expected this summer on what to do from here, she said.

Meredith Gremel came to the meeting expecting to learn more about the health risks associated

with the findings. "I'm sure all the citizens are concerned," she said. "I didn't get a clear picture."

Tom Konecsni, who has a child that attends a school near the old factory site, said he's worried for the water his child is drinking. The numbers he was given at the meeting did nothing to ease those concerns, he said.

"There's no comparison about what is good and what is bad as far as the levels are concerned," said Konecsni.

The EPA said they will continue taking and analyzing samples from the site and should give a final report by June.

Meeting held about Rockford tannery site contamination | News | Rockford News - Windows Internet Explorer provided by EPA

http://rockford.wzzm13.com/news/news/68994-meeting-held-about-rockford-tannery-site-contamination

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By Jessica Puchala April 24, 2012 WZZM 13

<http://rockford.wzzm13.com/news/news/68994-meeting-held-about-rockford-tannery-site-contamination>

ROCKFORD, Mich. (WZZM)- Government experts say the former Wolverine Worldwide tannery site in Rockford is cleaner than similar sites they've handled.

A large group of concerned neighbors attended a meeting in Rockford Tuesday night, hosted by the Environmental Protection Agency and the state Department of Environmental Quality. Both agencies have surveyed the former tannery site which closed three years ago this month. They spoke about the chemical runoff into the Rogue River and heavy metals in the soil.

Residents wanted to know just how contaminated the property is.

A concerned resident asked, "My question is to you folks, with all the information that you have, with one being as pure as snow, and ten being a Superfund site, for a layman business owner in Rockford, is this a three, an eight, a five, or a seven?"

An EPA representative answered, "We don't have every piece of information to give you that, you know, 4.5 or 7.2. Do we see this as bad as other tannery sites? No - we don't have a complete picture of the site to be able to say there are no high levels."

Rockford resident Jason Rop said, "It seems to me while there is some contamination, that Wolverine has been a great citizen and can deal with the contamination by itself, it doesn't need federal involvement, federal involvement seems like a waste of taxpayer money."

Experts say they do not have all the information to make a final determination on contamination at the tannery site. They expect that decision to come within a few months.

EPA: 'Concerning' Contamination Found at Site of Old Wolverine World Wide Tannery in Rockford

By Zane McMillin April 24, 2012 MLive

http://www.mlive.com/news/grand-rapids/index.ssf/2012/04/epa_concerning_contamination_f.html

ROCKFORD, MI — Federal scientists found a "concerning" number of chemical contaminants in soil and water samples around the city's old Wolverine World Wide tannery site, Environmental Protection Agency officials announced Tuesday night.

But EPA and state authorities, speaking to a crowd of 100-plus Rockford residents Tuesday night, said further study is needed to assess whether the chemicals pose a threat to human health or the site's environmental surroundings.

During the meeting at Rockford's Freshman Center, 4500 Kroes St. NE, EPA representatives said concerning levels of arsenic, chromium, mercury, cadmium and other chemicals were found in 24 different soil and water samples taken in March.

The samples were taken upriver from and adjacent to where the tannery sat along the Rogue River before it was razed in 2010 after more than 100 years of operation.

Nuria Muñiz, a coordinator with the EPA's Site Assessment National Priorities List, told residents there is little cause for alarm until the agency can determine the historical prevalence of the chemicals found around the tannery site.

She said the agency became involved in June last year, when it received correspondence from several Rockford residents about possible contamination at the site.

“We are still evaluating the site to see if any contamination may affect human health or the environment, and what the appropriate response will be,” Muñoz said.

Numerous residents spoke during the more than two-hour meeting, at times expressing confusion with the preliminary results and the process.

Resident Tom Konecsni sounded skeptical as he questioned the small panel of EPA and Michigan Department of Environmental Quality reps about the implications of their tests.

After the meeting, Konecsni said the only optimistic takeaway he saw from the meeting was knowledge the government agencies are investigating.

“From what I just saw and heard, it wasn’t clear that they had gone to that level yet, to come up with an educated means of cleaning up the site,” Konecsni said, adding he felt the process could move along more swiftly than it has.

“What they’re going to do with the data, once they have everything finalized,” Konecsni said, “that’s going to be the big thing.”

Muñoz said the EPA’s final report on what action, if any, needs to be taken to clean up the site is expected by mid-June this year.

Joseph Walczak with the MDEQ urged patience to residents in the meantime.

“Additional data needs to be gathered to make sure we’re making the correct decision,” he said.

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04/30/2012 01:36 PM

To PARTAP LALL

cc Dave Novak

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Subject Re: www

I have not heard anything new (Dave: have you?)

... I think the City was pretty clear at the meeting they want to work with the state .

Nuria

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PARTAP LALL

Greetings I was just wondering if there...

04/30/2012 01:34:44 PM

From: PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US
To: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, Dave Novak/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 04/30/2012 01:34 PM
Subject: www

Greetings

I was just wondering if there was any feed back from Rockford since we returned . Thanks

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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

05/08/2012 02:31 PM

To "Walczak, Joe (DEQ)"

cc PARTAP LALL, Tom Williams, David Brauner, DENISE
BOONE

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Subject Re: WWW Conference call with our district office

either day works for me.

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"Walczak, Joe (DEQ)"

Good afternoon all, Dave Kline (...)

05/08/2012 01:46:41 PM

From: "Walczak, Joe (DEQ)" <WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov>
To: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, Tom
Williams/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 05/08/2012 01:46 PM
Subject: Conference call with our district office

Good afternoon all,

Dave Kline (our Section Chief) and I just had some discussions with staff in our district office regarding the WWW site. They had quite a few questions that are really better answered by you so we are thinking that we would like to set up a conference call for some time this week to discuss their questions. Would you guys be available either this Thursday any time between 1:30 – 4:00 pm or Friday any time between 9:00 – 11:00 am or 3:00 – 5:00 pm (Eastern time)? Thanks much.

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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

05/17/2012 05:19 PM

To PARTAP LALL, tom williams, DENISE BOONE, Dave Novak

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bcc

Subject Scheduling Meetings with Superfund Division Director and Deputy Director

PC, Tom, Denise and Dave:

I would like to get into Joan and then Rick's calendar to brief them on Wolverine

- first week of June - or early in the second week.

please let me know your availability if your calendar is up to date in Lotus Notes I can use that too.

June 6 or June 7 - June 8 and
June 12

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From: Douglas Ballotti/R5/USEPA/US
To: R5 SF ALL (EPA & NON-EPA)
Date: 05/17/2012 05:01 PM
Subject: Scheduling Meetings with Superfund Division Director and Deputy Director

Good afternoon,

I just wanted to provide you all with an update on a new front office procedure. To schedule meetings with Rick and myself, please send an e-mail to SFDIO@epa.gov with the requested date(s), time(s), length, invitees, and subject of the meeting you wish to schedule. The front office administrative staff will confirm Rick and/or my availability and send out a meeting invitation via the Lotus Notes calendar.

Alternatively, meetings can be scheduled by calling the SFD main line at 3-9773.

Thanks. Doug

Doug Ballotti
Deputy Director, Superfund Division
Region 5
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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

05/21/2012 08:15 AM

To PARTAP LALL

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Subject Re: ground water

got it - thanks!

may call later to clarify -

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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

05/29/2012 07:28 AM

To GLADYS WATTS, Michael Bednarz

cc tom williams, PARTAP LALL

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Subject Wolverine 104 (e)

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05/29/2012 10:33 AM

To Michael Bednarz

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Subject Re: Wolverine 104 (e) status update: 05/29/12

thanks

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Michael Bednarz

Hi Nuria, On May 1st, Carolyn Bohlen...

05/29/2012 10:25:52 AM

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Date: 05/29/2012 10:25 AM
Subject: Wolverine 104 (e) status update: 05/29/12

Hi Nuria,

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Thanks,

Mike

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Lillie Young /R5/USEPA/US

05/30/2012 08:21 AM

To Nuria Muniz

cc Carolyn Bohlen, Francisca Rodriguez

bcc

Subject Re: Fw: Wolverine 104 (e) status update: 05/29/12

I have the response from Warner Norcross & Judd on behalf of Wolverine. Do you want me to send it to you through the interoffice mail. If not I can either drop it off to you or, I am in cubicle #05-128. The response was received May 21 and was in Gladys' cubicle.

Nuria Muniz

Carolyn, Lily and Francisca: Can you h...

05/29/2012 01:32:54 PM

From: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US
To: Carolyn Bohlen/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, Lillie Young/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Cc: Francisca Rodriguez/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, GLADYS WATTS/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 05/29/2012 01:32 PM
Subject: Fw: Wolverine 104 (e) status update: 05/29/12

Carolyn, Lily and Francisca:

Can you help me? I am looking for Wolverine's 104(e) submittal - may be in Gladys' desk.

it is kind of urgent.

Thanks,

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Cc: Michael Bednarz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 05/29/2012 01:24 PM
Subject: Wolverine 104 (e) status update: 05/29/12

Nuria! I have been working from home due to a bronchial infection. The response may be on my desk. Please see Carolyn Bohlen, Lillie Young or Francesca Rodriguez while I am out. I should be returning to work Thursday, May 31, 2012. I can be reached at 708-720-0885.

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05/31/2012 07:53 AM

To PARTAP LALL

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Subject Re: We fedexed the WWW CD yesterday .

I have not heard from Ann

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PARTAP LALL

Is there a new time for call today -----...

05/31/2012 07:21:48 AM

From: PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US
To: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 05/31/2012 07:21 AM
Subject: Re: We fedexed the WWW CD yesterday .

Is there a new time for call today

Nuria Muniz

----- Original Message -----

From: Nuria Muniz
Sent: 05/31/2012 07:15 AM CDT
To: Partap Lall
Subject: We fedexed the WWW CD yesterday .

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05/31/2012 02:37 PM

To PARTAP LALL

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Subject Re: FYI - Jansen's letter

same

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PARTAP LALL

Is it the same letter as the one Tom got...

05/31/2012 01:12:52 PM

From: PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US
To: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US
Date: 05/31/2012 01:12 PM
Subject: Re: FYI - Jansen's letter

Is it the same letter as the one Tom got or is it totally different

Nuria Muniz

FYI: Yesterday I received Sen. Jansen's...

05/31/2012 09:05:45 AM

From: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US
To: tom williams, Joan Tanaka/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Cc: PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov
Date: 05/31/2012 09:05 AM
Subject: FYI - Jansen's letter

FYI:

Yesterday I received Sen. Jansen's letter - addressed to me.

Nuria

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06/15/2012 10:28 AM

To DENISE BOONE

cc "Walczak, Joe (DEQ)", David Brauner, "Devantier, Daria W. (DEQ)"

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Subject RE: PA Approved - Can you sign and compile entire report?

Whooo Hooooooo!!!

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DENISE BOONE YEE HAA! Great job everybody. Fro...

06/15/2012 10:15:41 AM

From: DENISE BOONE/R5/USEPA/US
To: "Walczak, Joe (DEQ)" <WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov>
Cc: David Brauner/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, "Devantier, Daria W. (DEQ)" <DEVANTIERD@michigan.gov>, Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 06/15/2012 10:15 AM
Subject: RE: PA Approved - Can you sign and compile entire report?

YEE HAA! Great job everybody.

"Walczak, Joe (DEQ)" The final scanned copy of the W...

06/15/2012 10:13:46 AM

From: "Walczak, Joe (DEQ)" <WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov>
To: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, David Brauner/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Cc: DENISE BOONE/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, "Devantier, Daria W. (DEQ)" <DEVANTIERD@michigan.gov>
Date: 06/15/2012 10:13 AM
Subject: RE: PA Approved - Can you sign and compile entire report?

The final scanned copy of the WWW PA report is now uploaded to the ESC. Can I get a YEE HAA! Thanks again for all the help.

Joseph Walczak

Environmental Quality Specialist

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From: Nuria Muniz [mailto:Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, June 14, 2012 4:53 PM
To: Walczak, Joe (DEQ); David Brauner
Cc: DENISE BOONE; Devantier, Daria W. (DEQ)
Subject: PA Approved - Can you sign and compile entire report?

Joe and David:

Thanks for the quick changes and Review.

Good points about the fishery for scoring.. I knew they were fishing right across from the site but I had no idea we had such strong evidence.

I am approving the PA report for the Wolverine World Wide Former Tannery

just so that is complete can you and your folks sign off on the page - and send (or post) the compiled report
in a PDF file - minus the score ?

Denise will sign off for me on Friday.

The PA report can probably be sent Monday and no later than Tuesday by mail - our letter PA cover letter is circulating for signature.

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To: "Walczak, Joe (DEQ)" <WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov>
Cc: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 06/14/2012 03:41 PM
Subject: Re: Revised Quickscore

No additional comments. The added statement on the fishing spots is fine.

David

David Brauner
Site Assessment Manager
ph: 312-886-1526
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USEPA Region 5 Superfund

From: "Walczak, Joe (DEQ)" <WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov>
To: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, David Brauner/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 06/14/2012 03:20 PM
Subject: Revised Quickscore

Nuria and David,

Attached is the revised Quickscore based on David's comments. I am also attaching the PA report again as I made an addition to clarify David's fishery comment and I noted that the population numbers in the report were the initial estimates and not the "fine-tuned" numbers. Please let me know if you have any other comments or concerns. We are ready to make any needed changes ASAP so that we can get you the final signed copy quickly. Thanks.

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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

06/19/2012 05:09 PM

To Nita Leftridge

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Subject Re: Wolverine

there is more... in fact many of the documents you have listed have been sent by the

requestor. I have documents related to their request in my office - and will need time to provide them
I should be in next week

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06/25/2012 08:56 AM

To Nita Leftridge

cc Evette Jones, DENISE BOONE, GLADYS WATTS

bcc

Subject Re: Wolverine

Hi Nita:

I am back from travel - working at home today - any chance we can meet tomorrow to go over the information that needs to be sent to the requestor? What is the deadline for responding? Did you ask for an extension as we discussed on the phone?

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Im available on Tuesday to meet, let m...

06/25/2012 12:48:08 PM

From: Nita Leftridge/R5/USEPA/US
To: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA,
Date: 06/25/2012 12:48 PM
Subject: Re: Wolverine

Im available on Tuesday to meet, let me know a good time. The deadline for the FOI is July 3,2012.No I have not acquired an extension because I was in hopes that some of the documents listed we could send . I will acquire an extension this week .

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Nuria Muniz

Hi Nita: I am back from travel - working...

06/25/2012 08:56:17 AM

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To: Nita Leftridge/R5/USEPA/US@EPA,
Cc: Evette Jones/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, DENISE BOONE/R5/USEPA/US, GLADYS WATTS/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 06/25/2012 08:56 AM

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06/27/2012 01:17 PM

To myyoung

cc WALCZAKJ, PARTAP LALL, DENISE BOONE, tom williams
bcc

Subject WWW Preliminary Assessment

Mr: Young:

Attached is a digital copy of the PA report for the Wolverine former tannery site .
A hard copy will be sent to you.



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WWW_Former_Tannery_PA[1].pdf



WWWPAcoverletterto Michael Young.pdf

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07/13/2012 10:21 AM

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Cc: "O'Donnell, David (DEQ)" <ODONNELLD@michigan.gov>, PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US@EPA,
"WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov" <WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov>
Date: 11/03/2011 10:22 AM
Subject: RE: Wolverine World Wide visit

Thanks, we will have information on the five items that you list below. See you on the 8th.

From: Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov [mailto:Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, November 03, 2011 9:59 AM
To: Robinson, Michael
Cc: O'Donnell, David (DEQ); Lall.Partap@epamail.epa.gov; WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov
Subject: RE: Wolverine World Wide visit

Mike:

Partap (PC) and I are likely the only ones attending for EPA.
A third person expressed interest - I will let you know if he will attend.

Thanks for organizing a working lunch - PC and I will pay Wolverine as we usually do.
We would appreciate any information you can provide on the following:

layout of historical operations
brief overview of materials / chemicals dealt with
overview of disposal or drainage
extent of soil removal - what it was based on?
location of monitoring wells/ depth of screening

e-mail me or call me if you have any other questions.

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Date: 11/03/2011 07:22 AM
Subject: RE: Wolverine World Wide visit

I will send directions to you later this morning. If we start at 10:30am eastern at the Wolverine offices and then go to the site, which is only about two miles away, we will have plenty of time for the site walk around. Nuria, that should get you back on the road in the 1:30-2:00 pm window to avoid the heaviest of the Chicago traffic. We will be happy to provide sandwiches/salads/beverages for an early working lunch at the Wolverine conference room if that is ok with you (if you are required to pay us for the sandwich, that would be fine, but we are happy to provide a complimentary lunch). Please let me know if you have any preferences regarding lunch. From your email it looks like there will be two persons from EPA (Nuria and Partap) and at least two from DEQ (Joe and David O.). If there are others coming please let me know so that we can have a big enough conference room and enough lunches. The forecast for Tuesday is for some rain, but we won't let that stop the site visit. If there are any specific topics that you would like us to be prepared to address, please let me know in advance of the 8th and we will do our best to be prepared to address them. We have information and data that we will be presenting to you in the meeting before we go to the site.

Mike

From: Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov [<mailto:Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov>]
Sent: Wednesday, November 02, 2011 5:51 PM
To: Robinson, Michael
Cc: WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov; Lall.Partap@epamail.epa.gov; O'Donnell, David (DEQ)
Subject: Re: Wolverine World Wide visit

Hi Michael:

It seems that Nov 8 will work for us at EPA. Could we do a mid morning 10:30 -11 am and plan to be done by 1:30 -2:00 pm?

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From: "Robinson, Michael" <MRobinson@wnj.com>
To: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 11/02/2011 01:49 PM
Subject: Wolverine World Wide visit

Nuria, I spoke with Joe Walczak about his availability to join the site visit/meeting in Rockford, Michigan on November 8. He is available and can join us. I also invited Dave O'Donnell and Dave Monet by email but I have not heard back from them yet. Our technical environmental consultant, Mark Westra, of Rose & Westra, can also join the site visit/meeting on the 8th. As soon as I hear from you that you can attend on the 8th, I will confirm with Mark and Joe and I will send out directions to the Wolverine office and the site. We are holding the whole day open, so we can fit your travel schedule.

Mike

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07/13/2012 10:25 AM

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Date: 11/17/2011 06:58 AM
Subject: RE: Wolverine Worldwide - Data Request

Nuria, thanks for getting this to me so promptly. I have a few initial questions/comments. In the first bullet point for sampling, what is the basis for sampling at the pump house, which is a location of water withdrawal from the river? In the sixth bullet, the request calls for geoprobes to 16 feet but groundwater is much shallower than 16 feet-sampling of soils in the saturated zone is not appropriate, so what is the basis for that request? In the seventh bullet there is a request for geoprobes in the pit area but all material was removed from that area down to the groundwater. As in the sixth bullet, sampling of soils in the saturated zone is not appropriate-that is why we are doing groundwater sampling at the pit area. It would be helpful if you could give me feedback on these initial comments today if possible. Mike

From: Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov [mailto:Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov]

Sent: Wednesday, November 16, 2011 3:34 PM

To: Robinson, Michael

Cc: O'Donnell, David (DEQ); WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov; Lall.Partap@epamail.epa.gov; Novak.Dave@epamail.epa.gov; Brauner.David@epamail.epa.gov; Boone.Denise@epamail.epa.gov

Subject: Wolverine Worldwide - Data Request

Michael:

Attached is a request for available data and analytical work.

Please feel free to contact me to answer any questions regarding this request.

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07/13/2012 10:26 AM

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Date: 11/17/2011 10:50 AM
Subject: RE: Fw: RE: Wolverine Worldwide - Data Request

Thanks for the information PC. We will take all this under consideration. We plan to discuss the sampling internally on Monday.

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Sent: Thursday, November 17, 2011 12:12 PM
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Thank you

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We should have our input by tomorrow Wednesday - to whom should I address the e-mail and who should be copied?

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Cc: O'Donnell, David (DEQ); Lall.Partap@epamail.epa.gov; WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov
Subject: RE: Wolverine World Wide visit

Mike please count on 3 folks from EPA -
Dave Novak from our community involvement office may be attending as well.

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Date: 11/03/2011 10:22 AM
Subject: RE: Wolverine World Wide visit

Thanks, we will have information on the five items that you list below. See you on the 8th.

From: Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov [mailto:Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, November 03, 2011 9:59 AM
To: Robinson, Michael
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Subject: RE: Wolverine World Wide visit

Mike:

Partap (PC) and I are likely the only ones attending for EPA.

A third person expressed interest - I will let you know if he will attend.

Thanks for organizing a working lunch - PC and I will pay Wolverine as we usually do.

We would appreciate any information you can provide on the following:

layout of historical operations
brief overview of materials / chemicals dealt with
overview of disposal or drainage
extent of soil removal - what it was based on?
location of monitoring wells/ depth of screening

e-mail me or call me if you have any other questions.

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Date: 11/03/2011 07:22 AM
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I will send directions to you later this morning. If we start at 10:30am eastern at the Wolverine offices and then go to the site, which is only about two miles away, we will have plenty of time for the site walk around. Nuria, that should get you back on the road in the 1:30-2:00 pm window to avoid the heaviest of the Chicago traffic. We will be happy to provide sandwiches/salads/beverages for an early working lunch at the Wolverine conference room if that is ok with you (if you are required to pay us for the sandwich, that would be fine, but we are happy to provide a complimentary lunch). Please let me know if you have any preferences regarding lunch. From your email it looks like there will be two persons from EPA (Nuria and Partap) and at least two from DEQ (Joe and David O.). If there are others coming please let me know so that we can have a big enough conference room and enough lunches.

The forecast for Tuesday is for some rain, but we won't let that stop the site visit.

If there are any specific topics that you would like us to be prepared to address, please let me know in advance of the 8th and we will do our best to be prepared to address them. We have information and data that we will be presenting to you in the meeting before we go to the site.

Mike

From: Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov [<mailto:Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov>]

Sent: Wednesday, November 02, 2011 5:51 PM

To: Robinson, Michael

Cc: WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov; Lall.Partap@epamail.epa.gov; O'Donnell, David (DEQ)

Subject: Re: Wolverine World Wide visit

Hi Michael:

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To: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA

Date: 11/02/2011 01:49 PM

Subject: Wolverine World Wide visit

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<ODONNELLD@michigan.gov>, "Monet, David (DEQ)" <MONETD@michigan.gov>,
Date: 11/03/2011 08:46 AM
Subject: Directions to Wolverine World Wide and former tannery site

Attached are maps showing the Wolverine World Wide offices and the former tannery site location in Rockford, Michigan for your use in arriving at our meeting/site visit on November 8 at 10:30am eastern.

Take US-131 north to the 10 Mile Rd exit. Go east on 10 Mile Rd (the name changes to Division Street in the City of Rockford). Continue on Division to Wolverine Blvd and turn left (north). Go to 11 Mile Rd/Courtland Drive and turn right (east) onto Courtland Dr. Follow the curving road uphill around the church to the entrance on the left to the Wolverine World Wide headquarters. You will see a long row of flags of many countries along the entrance road. Go to the center building and park in the visitor parking on the right side of the road in front of the building. Come to the desk in the lobby and ask for Ken Grady.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Mike



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LALL/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, "O'Donnell, David (DEQ)" <ODONNELLD@michigan.gov>
Date: 11/02/2011 09:33 PM
Subject: Re: Wolverine World Wide visit

Yes, that will work fine. Mike

On Nov 2, 2011, at 5:51 PM, "Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov" <Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov>
> wrote:

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Date: 11/17/2011 10:50 AM
Subject: RE: Fw: RE: Wolverine Worldwide - Data Request

Thanks for the information PC. We will take all this under consideration. We plan to discuss the sampling internally on Monday.

-----Original Message-----

From: Lall.Partap@epamail.epa.gov [<mailto:Lall.Partap@epamail.epa.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, November 17, 2011 12:12 PM
To: Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov; O'Donnell, David (DEQ); WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov; Lall.Partap@epamail.epa.gov; Novak.Dave@epamail.epa.gov; Brauner.David@epamail.epa.gov; Boone.Denise@epamail.epa.gov; Robinson, Michael
Subject: Re: Fw: RE: Wolverine Worldwide - Data Request

Good morning

1. In the sixth bullet, it is stated that "16 ft depth or when ground water is encountered", meaning stop drilling once water is encountered and examine the material in the tube for sampling.

2. In the 7th bullet reference to pit area is for soils around where the pit was. We do not want you to sample the clean fill material that was placed in the area ,but surrounding soils in order to understand if the removal was complete or if there has been migration outside the pit . We will help you identify the sampling locations once we have the exact dimensions and location of the back filled area of the pit. For depth use the same procedure as explained above.

3. Soil and sediment sampling of river bank and river bed in the area of pump house , cove and WWTP is based upon flow patterns of surface and shallow ground water which could have carried chemicals and deposited them over the years.

Thank you

From: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US
To: PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 11/17/2011 07:36 AM
Subject: Fw: RE: Wolverine Worldwide - Data Request

PC - can you take a look at these.

Thanks,

Nuria

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BOONE/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Subject: RE: Wolverine Worldwide - Data Request

Nuria, thanks for getting this to me so promptly. I have a few initial questions/comments. In the first bullet point for sampling, what is the basis for sampling at the pump house, which is a location of water withdrawal from the river? In the sixth bullet, the request calls for geoprobes to 16 feet but groundwater is much shallower than 16 feet-sampling of soils in the saturated zone is not appropriate, so what is the basis for that request? In the seventh bullet there is a request for geoprobes in the pit area but all material was removed from that area down to the groundwater. As in the sixth bullet, sampling of soils in the saturated zone is not appropriate-that is why we are doing groundwater sampling at the pit area. It would be helpful if you could give me feedback on these initial comments today if possible. Mike

From: Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov [mailto:Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, November 16, 2011 3:34 PM
To: Robinson, Michael
Cc: O'Donnell, David (DEQ); WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov;
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Subject: Wolverine Worldwide - Data Request

Michael:

Attached is a request for available data and analytical work.
Please feel free to contact me to answer any questions regarding this request.

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To: Tom Williams/R5/USEPA/US@EPA,
Cc: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 02/02/2012 02:18 PM
Subject: RE: Wolverine Worldwide, Rockford, MI

Tom, if it works for EPA, we would suggest that the public meeting that you are considering be held on April 23, 24, or 25. Wolverine would be willing to make available it's auditorium for EPA's use for that meeting. It would be EPA's meeting, not Wolverine's meeting. The setting would just be our rather nice auditorium with sufficient capacity (I think it was mentioned that you want seating for up to 200 persons) and very good audio/visual equipment. Please let me know on the dates and if you would like to use our auditorium. There would not be any charge for use of our auditorium.
Mike

-----Original Message-----

From: Williams.Tom@epamail.epa.gov [mailto:Williams.Tom@epamail.epa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, January 31, 2012 6:01 PM
To: Robinson, Michael

Cc: Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov
Subject: Wolverine Worldwide, Rockford, MI

Dear Michael,

Thank you for your message earlier today to Nuria Muniz, to which I am replying. First, let me introduce myself; I am the EPA attorney now assigned to this matter. Accordingly, I request that you address to my attention your future communications with this agency. My contact information appears below.

In light of ongoing citizen interest in the Wolverine Worldwide tannery site, EPA representatives conferred yesterday with the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality and concluded it was appropriate for EPA to hold a public meeting in Rockford to present site-related information gathered to date and outline any further steps going forward. Of course, if you have specific items for an agenda, we would appreciate your input, and your participation is welcome. A date has not been sent, although we are considering some date during the third week of April. We would schedule the meeting sufficiently far in advance so that we can analyze existing data and, if appropriate, conduct additional sampling.

In any event, our interest in participating in a public meeting should not be taken as a sign that EPA is dissatisfied with your client's site investigation activities to date, or movement away from what I understand has thus far been a cooperative effort. Environmental organizations in the area have addressed issues to our attention, and a public meeting would be the correct forum for addressing them. Again, my contact information appears below if you wish to discuss.

Sincerely,

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Cc: "Walczak, Joe (DEQ)" <WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov>, "Mark Westra"
<MAWestra@rosewestra.com>
Date: 12/01/2011 09:41 AM
Subject:

Nuria and PC, Joe and I spoke this morning about our sampling plan and he indicated that there was a question about how much material was removed from the pit and that there was some confusion that assumed that we removed only 10 cubic yards of material from the pit area. The 10 cubic yards is the volume of the dark stained soil that we removed at the former final clarifier at the WWTP and that volume represents all the visually contaminated soil. We are proposing two geoprobes for that area where we removed the 10 cubic yards.

In the pit area we removed about 250 cubic yards of soil, sludge and minor debris which was the TOTAL volume of material at that location. We excavated down to the water table and all the way to the three walls of that area. I am pretty sure that we removed material in the direction of the non-wall area where it appeared that the material ended. In any event, we are proposing geoprobes around that area to confirm that and a monitoring well IN the pit area.

Also, please note that the piezometers that we are going to sample are monitoring wells and were installed as such. They were originally identified as piezometers because we only took elevation data in last investigation, but they are full fledged monitoring wells.

I hope that clears up any confusion on those points.

Mike

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LALL/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, David Brauner/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 12/01/2011 09:44 AM
Subject: RE: data request

We will do them electronically and send them to you and Joe electronically. Yes, Joe explained that PC may have some comments on our work plan. Thanks, Mike

From: Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov [mailto:Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov]
Sent: Thursday, December 01, 2011 10:38 AM
To: Robinson, Michael
Cc: WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov; Lall.Partap@epamail.epa.gov; Brauner.David@epamail.epa.gov
Subject: Re: data request

Hi Mike:

Thanks for the workplan and for compiling the information.

I spoke with Joe yesterday and I will be compiling all comments and will have them in writing as soon as possible.

When you speak with Joe today, note that we could not get PC on the phone yesterday.

Send the documents information to Joe if you have hard copies - (if you scan the documents please send to both)

Thanks,

Nuria

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Date: 12/01/2011 08:57 AM
Subject: data request

We are in the process of assembling the information that you requested in your November 15 data request to Wolverine. Should we send a copy only to Joe or does EPA need a copy (it will be voluminous)? Also, I expect to be speaking with Joe today to discuss DEQ's and EPA's comments on our response to EPA's suggested analytical work.

Mike

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LALL/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 12/05/2011 07:53 AM
Subject: documents in response to data request

Here is the first email with documents attached which are responsive to the EPA November 15 data request and to our promise on November 29 to provide documents for DEQ's use in connection with the PA. I will send several more emails today with more documents attached. We will have additional documents to you later this week.

Mike Robinson

----- Message from GR508 <GR508@wnj.com> on Thu, 1 Dec 2011 12:50:40 -0500 -----

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Date: 12/07/2011 03:34 PM
Subject: RE: EPA Response to WWW workplan

Thanks for the comments. We will be discussing this first thing tomorrow morning. Perhaps a call with those of you on this email who would like to do so at 11am eastern? Mike

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Sent: Wednesday, December 07, 2011 11:55 AM

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Date: 12/06/2011 01:22 PM
Subject: work plan

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Subject: RE: EPA Response to WWW workplan

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Date: 12/13/2011 07:48 AM
Subject: RE: work outline for sampling in December 2011

Nuria, we have reviewed the Westshore letter and data. That letter and data have significant shortcomings and some errors and do not support any revision to our work scope. Also, much of that data is consistent with background conditions in a river system and DEQ's 2005 statewide background survey (which is not reflected in DEQ's broader and more generic Part 201 background values in the DEQ cleanup criteria tables). The data in the Westshore letter, if it is taken at face value (which one should not do), does raise a couple of questions which should be answered by the results we will obtain with our existing work scope. If you would like to discuss the details of this, please let me know. Also, Mark will need PC's phone number to contact him so that he can be onsite when the work is performed if he wants to do that. Please email that to Mark. Work starts tomorrow. Mike

From: Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov [mailto:Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, December 13, 2011 8:01 AM
To: Robinson, Michael
Cc: Monet, David (DEQ); O'Donnell, David (DEQ); Lall.Partap@epamail.epa.gov; Pawloski, John (DEQ); WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov
Subject: Re: work outline for sampling in December 2011

Mike:

Got it...

PC will call Mark Westra to coordinate a mutually convenient time. Can you please make sure that Mark knows to coordinate with PC.

Thanks

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From: "Robinson, Michael" <MRobinson@wnj.com>
To: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, "WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov" <WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov>, PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, "O'Donnell, David (DEQ)" <ODONNELLD@michigan.gov>, "Pawloski, John (DEQ)" <PAWLOSKI1@michigan.gov>, "Monet, David (DEQ)" <MONETD@michigan.gov>
Date: 12/12/2011 12:40 PM
Subject: work outline for sampling in December 2011

All, please find attached our scope of work for the sampling that we will begin later this week. The format follows EPA's original suggestion for site investigation work. We expect to have data by the end of the second week of January to provide to you. We also received from Nuria a short while ago today the CCRR report prepared by Westshore Consulting for certain metal analyses. We will review that data and may or may not add to our scope based on our review.

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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

07/13/2012 11:04 AM

To Nita Leftridge

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Subject Fw: WWW /EPA call (Friday tentatively)

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To: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA,
Cc: "WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov" <WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov>
Date: 12/09/2011 01:43 PM
Subject: RE: WWW /EPA call (Friday tentatively)

Nuria and Joe, we will send the rewritten sampling work plan to you on Monday, hopefully in the morning. Mike

From: Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov [mailto:Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov]
Sent: Friday, December 09, 2011 11:35 AM
To: Robinson, Michael
Cc: WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov
Subject: RE: WWW /EPA call (Friday tentatively)

Mike:

I will have to wait until Monday to send you the lab results.
I will try to have them first thing.

Thanks.

Nuria

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From: "Robinson, Michael" <MRobinson@wnj.com>
To: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 12/08/2011 10:20 AM
Subject: RE: WWW /EPA call (Friday tentatively)

I will try to do that. How about having our call at 9am eastern or earlier? Would you like me to get a call in number? If it will only be you and Joe, I can call one of you and then patch in the other instead.

From: Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov [<mailto:Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, December 08, 2011 11:17 AM
To: Robinson, Michael
Cc: Lall.Partap@epamail.epa.gov; WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov
Subject: RE: WWW /EPA call (Friday tentatively)

Mike

PC can't join us tomorrow.. Joe and I can meet with you to understand the scope of your questions and answer what we can. If you want to send brief bullets with the scope of your questions or concerns today- that would help speed things up.

Nuria

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To: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Cc: PARTAP LALL/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, "WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov" <WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov>
Date: 12/08/2011 10:10 AM
Subject: RE: WWW /EPA call postponed

Yes, early tomorrow would work for me. I will let you know.

From: Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov [<mailto:Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov>]
Sent: Thursday, December 08, 2011 11:04 AM
To: Robinson, Michael
Cc: Lall.Partap@epamail.epa.gov; WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov
Subject: WWW /EPA call postponed

Hi Mike:

Ok- Let us know -

I know Joe and I are available early tomorrow morning.
PC - are you?

I am not available tomorrow afternoon.

Nuria

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From: "Robinson, Michael" <MRobinson@wnj.com>
To: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 12/08/2011 09:56 AM
Subject: RE: EPA Response to WWW workplan

Nuria, Mark Westra and I have reviewed your comments and we need to discuss them with Wolverine today. I won't be ready for a call at 11am today. I will contact you and suggest a time as soon as I can determine one.
Mike

From: Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov [<mailto:Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov>]
Sent: Wednesday, December 07, 2011 11:55 AM
To: Robinson, Michael

Cc: O'Donnell, David (DEQ); Novak.Dave@epamail.epa.gov; Brauner.David@epamail.epa.gov; Lall.Partap@epamail.epa.gov; WALCZAKJ@michigan.gov; Boone.Denise@epamail.epa.gov

Subject: EPA Response to WWW workplan

Mike:

Attached are the comments to the WWW tannery workplan .

Please let me know if you want to discuss any of the comments - I can coordinate a call with all parties. Please let us know when you have a set date for sampling.

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From: "Robinson, Michael" <MRobinson@wnj.com>

To: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, "O'Donnell, David (DEQ)" <ODONNELLD@michigan.gov>

Date: 12/06/2011 01:22 PM

Subject: work plan

Nuria and Dave, I have been told by Rose & Westra that the window has just about closed on doing the work and getting data by the end of the year. If we can get your comments within the next couple of days, we can move ahead and we should be able to get the data by the end of the year. A major time lag in performing the work is the need to let the new wells "rest" for two weeks after installation, as requested by DEQ and as good practice would dictate. Please let me know your comments. Thanks, Mike

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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

07/17/2012 04:35 PM

To "Martinez, Shandra"

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Subject Re: Wolverine World Wide tannery

Hi Shandra:

Sorry for not responding sooner.

I will coordinate with my Press Office so we can send you the report tomorrow -

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"Martinez, Shandra"

Nuria, I'm a business reporter with...

07/14/2012 11:13:40 AM

From: "Martinez, Shandra" <SMARTIN4@mlive.com>
To: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA,
Date: 07/14/2012 11:13 AM
Subject: Wolverine World Wide tannery

Nuria,

I'm a business reporter with MLive.com who covers Wolverine World Wide. A reader recently asked about the results on a EPA report that you referenced at a meeting this spring that was supposed to be completed in June about the company's old tannery site in downtown Rockford. Can you send me a copy of that report? I would like to write an update.

Thanks,
Shandra

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07/17/2012 05:23 PM

To Nuria Muniz

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Subject RE: Wolverine World Wide tannery

Thanks Nuria. I appreciate your assistance.

From: Nuria Muniz [mailto:Muniz.Nuria@epamail.epa.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, July 17, 2012 5:36 PM

To: Martinez, Shandra

Subject: Re: Wolverine World Wide tannery

Hi Shandra:

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08/07/2012 04:55 PM

To "Michael S. Bryant"

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bcc Dave Novak

Subject Re: assessment report - WWW

Dear Mr. Bryant:

Attached is the assessment report you requested and an explanation of our decision.

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The EPA received three citizen petitions requesting an investigation of the Wolverine World Wide Former Tannery Site, located at 123 North Main St. in Rockford, Michigan submitted under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act ("CERCLA").

Chromium, arsenic, and mercury have been detected in sediment samples. Arsenic and chromium have also been detected in groundwater. It is likely that contaminated groundwater discharges to the Rogue River. However, EPA has concluded that a CERCLA removal response action is not warranted at this time, since the concentration and quantity of known contaminants do not present an immediate and substantial threat of release.

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Supporting documents attached



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"Michael S. Bryant"

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08/07/2012 12:38:13 PM

From: "Michael S. Bryant" <michaelsbryant@chartermi.net>
To: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA,
Date: 08/07/2012 12:38 PM
Subject: assessment

I am interested in the final report on the site assessment after the Wolverine Worldwide Tannery demolition on the Rogue River here in Rockford , MI. You indicated at an April meeting that this would be available by late June .

Respectfully,

Michael S Bryant
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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

08/08/2012 10:01 AM

To rakubryant

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**DENISE
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10/18/2012 08:19 AM

To Nuria Muniz
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Subject Fw: Wolverine Weekly report

----- Forwarded by DENISE BOONE/R5/USEPA/US on 10/18/2012 08:19 AM -----

From: David Brauner/R5/USEPA/US
To: Denise Boone/R5/USEPA/US@EPA,
Date: 06/20/2012 10:24 AM
Subject: Wolverine Weekly report

Denise,

Have the letters to the Wolverine petitioners been signed off on? If not, In case we don't get the letters to the petitioners signed off by noon today, here is a version of the weekly report that simply states that the letters to the petitioners will be sent.

David

David Brauner
Site Assessment Manager
ph: 312-886-1526
fax: 312-692-2083
USEPA Region 5 Superfund

Preliminary Assessment Completed for the Wolverine World Wide Former Tannery Site, Rockford, Michigan

Press Interest/Coverage: None

On June 16, 2012, the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ), under a cooperative agreement with EPA, completed a Preliminary Assessment (PA) for the Wolverine World Wide Former Tannery site in Rockford, Michigan as part of the site assessment process. The PA concluded that there is substantial contamination of on-site soils and the Rogue River, likely due to activities at the site. The PA was performed in response to a Citizen's Petition to Region 5 EPA, dated June 21, 2011. The site has generated considerable interest among the very active local community interest groups and local and state politicians. Local authorities have requested that MDEQ be the lead agency for further site investigations and clean-up for the Wolverine site and that EPA cease further active involvement at the site under CERCLA. After discussions with MDEQ, EPA agreed with the recommendation to refer the site to the Michigan state clean-up program and give the site a designation of Other Cleanup Authority (OCA). With the site under this status, MDEQ will work with the responsible party to achieve an acceptable remediation of the site. MDEQ will also report to EPA at least twice a year on progress being made at the site. As per statutory requirements, letters responsive to the petition, will be sent to

the petitioners, along with copies of the PA. In addition State Senator Mark C. Jansen has been sent a letter (dated June 15, 2012) informing him of the arrangements concerning further investigations at the site as well as the PA.

Contacts: Nuria Muniz, National Priorities List Coordinator, 312-886-4439
 David Brauner, Site Assessment Manager, 312-886-1526

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DENISE
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10/18/2012 08:27 AM

To Nuria Muniz
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Subject Directly from weekly report.

Preliminary Assessment Completed for the Wolverine World Wide Former Tannery Site, Rockford, Michigan

Press Interest/Coverage: None

On June 20, 2012 EPA responded to a Citizen's Petition for a CERCLA Preliminary Assessment (PA) for the Wolverine Work Wide Former Tannery Site in Rockford, Michigan. The Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) completed the PA under a cooperative agreement and concluded that there is contamination in on-site soils, groundwater, and sediment.

Additionally, contaminated groundwater is likely discharging into the Rogue River. The site has generated considerable interest among the very active local community interest groups and local and state politicians.

The PA determined that the site merits further investigation. MDEQ recommended that the site be referred to them for further investigation under "Other Cleanup Authority". Under this status, MDEQ will work with the responsible party to achieve an acceptable investigation and remediation, and will report to EPA at least twice a year on progress being made at the site. A copy of the PA will also be sent to State Senator Mark C. Jansen who expressed interest in the site.

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10/18/2012 09:30 AM

To DENISE BOONE

cc David Brauner

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Subject WWW Hot Issue

Denise: here is the hot issue write up for WWW - everything looks good but just added the last sentence to bring it up to-date

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10/18/2012 12:05 PM

To DENISE BOONE

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Subject WWW revised (added messages)

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Message:

- EPA sampled the site and surrounding sediments near the Rogue River and Rum creek.
- EPA hosted a community meeting on April 24.
- MDEQ will report to us periodically on investigative and cleanup activities
- EPA retains its enforcement authority, and reserves the ability to resume the status of lead agency if necessary

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"Clarence C.R. Ringwalda"
<ccrwalda@gmail.com>

11/05/2012 07:41 AM

To Joan Tanaka

cc Sharon Jaffess, Nuria Muniz

bcc

Subject Request for correction of inaccurate information sent to
WWW, City of Rockford, Senator Jansen, CCRR petitioners,
David Kline, Jim Sygo, The Rockford Squire

Dear Joan,

We are officially asking you to correct inaccurate information that was sent in June of 2012 to important members of the Rockford community, to Senator Jansen, to the Rockford Squire, key personnel in the DEQ and EPA, and to Wolverine World Wide.

It is certainly understandable that inaccuracies appear from time to time. Up until now we did not feel it imperative to request a correction of this information. However, the city of Rockford continues to disperse inaccuracies to its city council, the Economic Development Council (EDC) and the general community. Just last week, the Rockford EDC submitted an open letter to the Rockford Squire denouncing the efforts of CCRR. To quote, "This small group of residents has submitted pages and pages of information to State and Federal regulatory agencies, including many claims which appear to be without any factual basis, in an effort to halt progressive and responsible redevelopment of this property." All members of the EDC then signed the open letter in "protest of attacks on business in Rockford."

CCRR has made no such attacks.

We have included a PDF of the full document below, as well as a revised copy of the information sent to you on October 19, 2012.

Setting the record straight would be a great help to us. Also, we would appreciate it very much if you would send an accurate update to the Grand Rapids Press and the Rockford Squire regarding the status of the continued investigation and remediation of the WWW Tannery in Rockford, Michigan. Again, as quoted in the EDC open letter, the Rockford community was told that, "Scientific results, to date, look positive and we expect additional information to be available in early 2013." To our knowledge, no additional testing has been done since the PA Report was released in June 2012. The basis for the above statement is unclear.

We will try to call you today to discuss this matter after you have had a chance to read the two attached documents.

Again, thank you very much for your time and efforts. CCRR

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Joan Tanaka /R5/USEPA/US

11/05/2012 08:09 AM

To Denise Boone

cc Nuria Muniz

bcc

Subject Fw: Request for correction of inaccurate information sent to WWW, City of Rockford, Senator Jansen, CCRR petitioners, David Kline, Jim Sygo, The Rockford Squire

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From: "Clarence C.R. Ringwalda" <ccrrwalda@gmail.com>
To: Joan Tanaka/R5/USEPA/US@EPA,
Cc: Sharon Jaffess/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 11/05/2012 07:41 AM
Subject: Request for correction of inaccurate information sent to WWW , City of Rockford, Senator Jansen, CCRR petitioners, David Kline, Jim Sygo, The Rockford Squire

Dear Joan,

We are officially asking you to correct inaccurate information that was sent in June of 2012 to important members of the Rockford community, to Senator Jansen, to the Rockford Squire, key personnel in the DEQ and EPA, and to Wolverine World Wide.

It is certainly understandable that inaccuracies appear from time to time. Up until now we did not feel it imperative to request a correction of this information. However, the city of Rockford continues to disperse inaccuracies to its city council, the Economic Development Council (EDC) and the general community. Just last week, the Rockford EDC submitted an open letter to the Rockford Squire denouncing the efforts of CCRR. To quote, "This small group of residents has submitted pages and pages of information to State and Federal regulatory agencies, including many claims which appear to be without any factual basis, in an effort to halt progressive and responsible redevelopment of this property." All members of the EDC then signed the open letter in "protest of attacks on business in Rockford."
CCRR has made no such attacks.

We have included a PDF of the full document below, as well as a revised copy of the information sent to you on October 19, 2012.

Setting the record straight would be a great help to us. Also, we would appreciate it very much if you would send an accurate update to the Grand Rapids Press and the Rockford Squire regarding the status of the continued investigation and remediation of the WWW Tannery in

Rockford, Michigan. Again, as quoted in the EDC open letter, the Rockford community was told that, "Scientific results, to date, look positive and we expect additional information to be available in early 2013." To our knowledge, no additional testing has been done since the PA Report was released in June 2012. The basis for the above statement is unclear.

We will try to call you today to discuss this matter after you have had a chance to read the two attached documents.

Again, thank you very much for your time and efforts. CCRR

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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

02/05/2013 04:01 PM

To Nita Leftridge

cc

bcc

Subject Fw: Wolverine

Nita:

See the message below..

remember? we met and I gave you the FOIA response and CD's - you said you would add them to the Record Center since the enforcement had not provided these documents to the Record Center. I am not sure why it is coded non releasable.

- we really need to discuss how we will provide this information to CCRR - can you brief Evette and I will talk to the attorney and to Denise.
not sure how to take it from here - with the Eckel's FOIA can we meet tomorrow ?

Nuria

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To: Nita Leftridge/R5/USEPA/US@EPA,
Cc: Evette Jones/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, DENISE BOONE/R5/USEPA/US, GLADYS WATTS/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 06/25/2012 08:56 AM
Subject: Re: Wolverine

Hi Nita:

I am back from travel - working at home today - any chance we can meet tomorrow to go over the information that needs to be sent to the requestor? What is the deadline for responding? Did you ask for an extension as we discussed on the phone?

Note that most of the information listed below is not responsive ... since this is information the requestors themselves have sent us. I also don't see the information from the 104(e) response (the specialist is Gladys Watt) - Is that is still not in the records center? I have hard copies of the city correspondence.

Please let me know what is the deadline and if we can meet tomorrow?

Nuria

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Nita Leftridge

Below is a listing of documents sent to t...

06/19/2012 02:41:14 PM

From: Nita Leftridge/R5/USEPA/US
To: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA,
Date: 06/19/2012 02:41 PM
Subject: Wolverine

Below is a listing of documents sent to the record center. I wanted to touch bases with you to see if these are all the documents you have that can be sent to the Requester.

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"Be kinder than necessary for everyone you meet is fighting some kind of battle."

----- Forwarded by Nita Leftridge/R5/USEPA/US on 06/19/2012 02:35 PM -----

Leftridge, Nita

Site(s): R05: WOLVERINE WORLDWIDE FORMER TANNERY(MIN000510613)

Legend:

= Non-Releasable (NR)

= Administrative Record (AR)

BOLD GREEN = Metapage (Main Entry)

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05	436391		06-05-2012	SUBMITTAL FORM - JUNE 5
05	436390		04-02-2012	CCRR - SUMMARY DOCUMENT PRELIMINARY ASSESSMENT SUMMARY OF ON-CONCERN REGARDING RECENT DEMOLITION OF WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE TANNERY SITE ITS LONG-TERM ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ON ROUGUE RIVER WATERSHED (UNREDACTED)
05	431609		03-21-2012	104 (E) REQUEST - WOLVERINE WORLDWIDE INC
05	431608		04-02-2012	SUBMITTAL FORM - WOLVERINE WORLDWIDE FORMERLY TANNERY
05	407294		06-21-2011	CITIZEN PETITION - SUMMARY OF CONCERNS RELATED TO RECENT DEMOLITION OF 15-ACRE WOLVERINE WORLD WIDE TANNERY SITE IN ROCKFORD ITS LONG-TERM ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ON ROUGUE RIVER WATERSHED (REDACTED)
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Evette Jones /R5/USEPA/US

02/06/2013 11:30 AM

To Carolyn Bohlen, Nuria Muniz

cc Lillie Young, DEENA SHEPPARD

bcc

Subject Fw: Wolverine Worldwide Family Tannery - MI

Please review the email below, everything that was submitted to the Record Center in 2012 regarding Wolverine was returned to the submitter.

Thanks.

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"There is no testimony if you dont go through the test
and there is no message if you dont go through the mess."

----- Forwarded by Evette Jones/R5/USEPA/US on 02/06/2013 11:26 AM -----

From: Todd Quesada/R5/USEPA/US
To: Evette Jones/R5/USEPA/US@EPA,
Date: 02/06/2013 11:22 AM
Subject: Fw: Wolverine Worldwide Family Tannery - MI

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From: Joyce Greska/R5/USEPA/US
To: Todd Quesada/R5/USEPA/US@EPA,
Cc: LORRAINE KOS/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, Katherine Long/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 02/06/2013 10:26 AM
Subject: Wolverine Worldwide Family Tannery - MI

Per your request, here are the submissions in 2012 for the above site:

Wolverine Worldwide Family Tannery	MI	C593	6/26/2012
Nuria Muniz	1"	RV	2 CDs, 6 docs - 104E Response
Non-Releasable	SDMS	6/26/2012	SDMS
6/27/2012	PB	Returned to submitter	
Todd Quesada/Dolores Bryant			

Wolverine Worldwide Family Tannery	MI	C593	6/29/2012
Nuria Muniz	0.05	RV	
PA Report, DEQ Recommendation	Non-Releasable		
SDMS	6/29/2012	7/2/2012	PB
Indexed, scanned, & placed into Site File			

Wolverine Worldwide Family Tannery	MI	C593	6/25/2012
Nita Leftridge	1.5"	NPL	NRT Monthly Progress Reports
Non-Releasable	SDMS	6/25/2012	EM 6/26/2012
SDMS	Indexed, scanned & returned to submitter		Doc. ID #s 434898-434903, filed in I.1

Wolverine Worldwide Family Tannery	MI	C593	10/30/2012
Nuria Muniz	0.05"	RV	Letter & E-mail re: 10/31/12 Public Mtg.
Releasable	SDMS	10/30/2012	SDMS 10/30/2012
KW	Indexed, scanned & placed into site file		
Doc. ID #s 444655 & 444656 - I.1			

Wolverine Worldwide Family Tannery	MI	C593	No Date
Nuria Muniz	Elec	RV	Power Point Presentation of Site Pump Hse
Releasable	SDMS	10/23/2012	SDMS 10/23/2012
PB	Doc. ID #444092 indexed & made releasabale		

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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

02/08/2013 12:25 PM

To Nita Leftridge

cc

bcc

Subject Fw: Re: FOI-969-12: Wolverine Wide Tannery

Nita:

this is the WWW second response to the 104 e - and should be burned to a CD under a folder entitled Second Response 104(e)

These documents should be sent to the requester under FOI-960-12 and they are all releasable.

Can you please check that these are in the record Center - thanks.

Nuria

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To: Tom Williams/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
From: Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US
Date: 01/29/2013 07:42AM
Cc: Nita Leftridge/R5/USEPA/US@EPA
Subject: Re: FOI-969-12: Wolverine Wide Tannery

Tom :

That is odd - May 18 - is the second response..

I remember adding these to the Records Center as soon as they came we were expecting a request from CCRR.

The attached xls files came in a CD with the second response . - they are in the SEMS but perhaps not clearly associated with the May 18 letter.

- Perhaps she probably did not recognize that these as one submission .

Nita: Can you verify that the attached XLS files were sent to CCRR?

Thanks,

also the letter - *(See attached file: 05-434860.pdf)*

(See attached file: Chemical Inventory 2005.xls)(See attached file: Chemical Inventory 2006.xls)(See attached file: Dye inventory 2005.xls)(See attached file: Dye Inventory 2006.xls)

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Tom Williams---01/28/2013 03:57:32 PM---Hi Nita and Nuria - today I got a call from one of the citizens' group members (Lynn Mackintosh) who

From: Tom Williams/R5/USEPA/US
To: Nita Leftridge/R5/USEPA/US@EPA, Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US@EPA,
Date: 01/28/2013 03:57 PM
Subject: Re: FOI-969-12: Wolverine Wide Tannery

Hi Nita and Nuria - today I got a call from one of the citizens' group members (Lynn Mackintosh) who said she understood that we received a 104(e) response from Wolverine that included a CD of information transmitted to us on about May 18, 2012, and she said that our FOIA response did not include that.

Do you know whether that is correct? If we have the information and if it is subject to the request, we should consider whether it is releasable and if it is, send it to her.

She can be reached at 616 866-4334 or 616 433-5089.

Thanks,

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Nita Leftridge---06/20/2012 03:07:18 PM---Hi Tom, Attached is a FOI request regarding the Wolverine Wide Tannery, Rockford, MI. I have spoke

From: Nita Leftridge/R5/USEPA/US
To: Tom Williams/R5/USEPA/US@EPA,
Date: 06/20/2012 03:07 PM

Subject: FOI-969-12: Wolverine Wide Tannery

Hi Tom,

Attached is a FOI request regarding the Wolverine Wide Tannery, Rockford, MI. I have spoke with Nuria and she is pulling documents together in which to respond. In SDMS there are documents marked as non-releaseable, the list is attached. Please let me know if you have any information regarding this request. Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

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Chemical Inventory 2005.xls Chemical Inventory 2006.xls Dye inventory 2005.xls Dye Inventory 2006.xls



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Joyce Greska /R5/USEPA/US

02/11/2013 11:51 AM

To Nuria Muniz

cc Todd Quesada

bcc

Subject Your Submission to the Records Center for Wolverine
Worldwide Former Tannery

This message serves as a receipt of your submission to the R5 Superfund Records Center, dated 2/11/13. Please review the information below, which describes the documents received and their current disposition as originally requested on the Submittal form. You have five (5) working days from the date of this receipt to request any revisions to your submission. If no response is received within this time frame, your submission will be finalized in accordance to the instructions as notated on your original submittal request form. Please note that per NARA guidelines, materials submitted for archiving off-site to the Federal Records Center (FRC) may still be retained at the 7th Floor Superfund Records Center if the volume of the submission amounts to less than one (1) box of site-specific records.

SITE
SUBMITTER

STATE

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DATE RECEIVED

Wolverine Worldwide Tannery
Nuria Muniz

MI

C593

2/11/13

AMOUNT
DISPOSITION

TYPE

DESCRIPTION

2 CDs, 1 memo
Will be entered into SDMS & placed

RMV

104E Responses, Investigation Info.

into Site Files

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Nuria Muniz/R5/USEPA/US

12/06/2017 02:34 PM

To PARTAP LALL, Tom Williams, WALCZAKJ

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Subject Wolverine - prep for call with Mike Robinson